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Manufacturing Inventories ($).....†	43,629	44,337	43,344

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Bank Clearings for Individual Cities— June 1955 and 1954

(Thousands of dollars)

	JUNE 1955	JUNE 1954	% Change	MAY 1955
Boston.....	2,848,385	2,777,490	+ 2.6	2,697,716
Philadelphia.....	5,294,000	5,040,000	+ 5.0	4,992,000
Buffalo.....	594,168	541,282	+ 9.8	548,302
Pittsburgh.....	1,831,235	1,687,361	+ 8.5	1,829,991
Cleveland.....	2,282,330	2,041,086	+ 11.8	2,125,198
Cincinnati.....	1,165,704	1,074,227	+ 8.5	1,125,749
Baltimore.....	1,559,647	1,348,283	+ 15.7	1,434,042
Richmond.....	815,946	774,602	+ 5.3	768,771
Atlanta.....	1,537,000	1,324,500	+ 16.0	1,542,100
New Orleans.....	773,544	722,369	+ 7.1	816,835
Memphis.....	496,731	453,008	+ 9.7	493,190
Chicago.....	4,431,547	4,113,921	+ 7.7	4,663,799
Detroit.....	3,070,663	2,826,951	+ 8.6	3,123,952
St. Louis.....	1,569,789	1,548,889	+ 1.3	1,504,080
Louisville.....	790,357	716,405	+ 10.3	790,947
Minneapolis.....	1,616,850	1,552,019	+ 4.2	1,490,894
Kansas City.....	1,754,474	1,642,395	+ 6.8	1,634,283
Omaha.....	648,364	602,738	+ 7.6	643,098
Denver.....	736,344	665,431	+ 10.7	733,682
Dallas.....	1,873,826	1,633,040	+ 14.7	1,846,349
Houston.....	1,660,719	1,413,757	+ 17.5	1,603,855
Los Angeles.....	3,755,679	3,266,410	+ 15.0	3,469,600
San Francisco.....	2,705,062	2,411,058	+ 12.2	2,563,834
Portland, Ore.....	788,716	700,812	+ 12.5	709,779
Seattle.....	819,682	766,812	+ 6.9	796,047
Total 25 Cities....	45,420,762	41,644,846	+ 9.1	43,948,093
New York.....	46,544,933	47,566,263	- 2.9	42,099,029
Total 26 Cities....	91,965,695	89,211,109	+ 3.1	86,047,122

Summary of Bank Clearings—Mo

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	Total 26 United States Cities 1955	1954	1953	1952	1955	
January.....	87,462	80,946	79,037	78,356	45,004	4
February.....	80,589	76,130	68,623	69,594	42,646	4
March.....	95,249	90,883	83,913	76,125	49,403	4
April.....	83,559	82,815	79,149	76,964	41,673	4
May.....	86,047	79,771	75,787	73,283	42,099	4
June.....	91,966	89,211	82,121	78,589	46,545	4
July.....	.....	83,729	80,394	78,962	.....	4
August.....	.....	82,817	71,871	67,369	.....	4
September.....	.....	80,283	77,912	75,613	.....	4
October.....	.....	83,176	80,716	83,132	.....	4
November.....	.....	84,476	75,948	69,304	.....	4
December.....	.....	98,823	88,142	87,897	.....	52,928	46,171	44,924	.....	45,895	41,971	4
Total.....	.....	1,013,060	943,613	915,188	.....	532,029	470,289	461,724	.....	481,031	473,324	453,464

Summary of Industrial and Commercial Failures—Monthly—1952 to Date

	Number of Failures 1955	1954	1953	1952	Current Liabilities (000 Omitted) 1955	1954	1953	1952	Total Liabilities (000 Omitted) 1955	1954	1953	1952
January.....	939	867	647	671	$37,872	$29,592	$23,309	$26,208	$39,000	$29,906	$23,760	$26,300
February.....	877	926	691	619	42,056	47,774	27,273	19,474	42,194	47,909	27,525	19,624
March.....	1,038	1,102	739	715	41,209	57,280	31,082	29,232	41,289	57,746	31,584	29,387
April.....	903	975	693	780	35,968	42,512	27,520	29,530	36,299	43,160	28,152	30,285
May.....	955	943	697	638	34,714	38,494	32,789	21,193	34,840	39,068	33,032	21,209
June.....	914	965	817	671	36,667	41,613	32,379	21,222	37,171	41,615	32,454	21,537
July.....	...	856	724	580	.....	32,230	39,830	22,789	.....	32,725	40,334	22,973
August.....	...	912	700	594	.....	32,582	28,529	16,322	.....	32,712	30,194	16,672
September.....	...	819	686	539	.....	36,381	33,817	20,138	.....	37,757	34,050	20,178
October.....	...	871	840	631	.....	29,000	37,076	35,049	.....	29,308	37,298	35,299
November.....	...	933	815	590	.....	35,067	36,795	18,757	.....	36,780	36,996	18,859
December.....	...	917	813	583	.....	40,103	43,754	23,400	.....	40,925	45,088	23,775
Total.....	...	11,086	8,862	7,611	.....	$462,628	$394,153	$283,314	.....	$469,611	$400,467	$286,099

United States Wholesale Commodity Price Index

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

INDEX OF WHOLESALE COMMODITY PRICES (REVISED) 1947-49=100

Group:	June 1955	May 1955	Apr. 1955	June 1954
ALL COMMODITIES	110.3	109.0	110.5	110.0
Farm Products	91.8	91.2	94.2	94.8
Processed Foods	103.9	102.1	102.5	105.0
All Commodities Other Than Farm Products and Foods	115.6	115.5	115.7	114.2
Textile Products and Apparel	95.0	95.0	95.0	94.9
Hides, Skins & Leather Products	92.6	92.9	93.2	95.6
Fuel, Power & Lighting Materials	107.0	107.0	107.4	107.8
Chemicals and Allied Products	106.8	106.8	107.1	106.8
Metals and Metal Products	132.5	132.5	132.9	127.1
Machinery and Motive Products	127.0	126.7	126.3	124.3
Furniture, Other Household Durables	115.2	115.1	115.1	115.4
Non-Metallic Minerals - Structural	123.5	123.2	122.3	119.1
Rubber and Products	140.3	138.0	138.3	126.1
Lumber and Products	123.6	123.5	122.4	116.3
Pulp, Paper and Allied Products	118.3	117.7	117.4	115.8
Tobacco Mfres. & Bottle Beverages	121.6	121.6	121.6	121.4
Miscellaneous	89.1	91.3	94.0	105.1

U. K. (Bd. of Tr.) 1948	132.0	132.0	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
	Apr. 1955	Mar. 1955	Feb. 1955	Jan. 1955	Apr. 1954
Australia 1948	190.0	192.0	189.0	186.0	186.0
Belgium 1948	107.0	107.0	107.0	107.0	105.0
Brazil 1948	271.0	268.0	267.0	265.0	242.0
Costa Rica 1948	106.0	104.0	104.0	107.0	104.0
Cuba Aug. 1952	....	91.0	91.0	91.0	94.0
Dominican Republic 1948	90.0	89.0	90.0	89.0	89.0
Germany 1948	112.0	112.0	111.0	111.0	109.0
Italy 1948	98.0	98.0	98.0	98.0	97.0
Japan 1948	268.0	271.0	270.0	269.0	276.0
Lebanon 1948	....	71.0	72.0	72.0	72.0
Morocco, Fr 1948	139.0	142.0	141.0	143.0	134.0
Netherlands 1948	136.0	136.0	137.0	138.0	136.0
Peru 1948	238.0	237.0	235.0	234.0	222.0
Portugal 1948	110.0	110.0	110.0	109.0	112.0
Spain 1948	180.0	181.0	179.0	180.0	175.0
Turkey 1948	....	....	125.0	123.0	118.0
Union South Africa 1948	155.0	154.0	153.0	151.0	149.0
Venezuela 1948	....	101.0	100.0	101.0	101.0

Dun & Bradstreet Wholesale Food Price Index—1952 to Date

1955		1954		1953	
Jan. 4	$6.75	Jan. 5	$6.85	Jan. 6	$6.23
Jan. 11	6.81	Jan. 12	7.03	Jan. 13	6.25
Jan. 18	6.84	Jan. 19	6.96	Jan. 20	6.25
Jan. 25	6.88	Jan. 26	7.02	Jan. 27	6.22
Feb. 1	6.85	Feb. 2	7.01	Feb. 3	6.13
Feb. 8	6.77	Feb. 9	7.09	Feb. 10	6.19
Feb. 15	6.69	Feb. 16	7.11	Feb. 17	6.20
Feb. 22	6.65	Feb. 23	7.20	Feb. 24	6.21
Mar. 1	6.63	Mar. 2	7.21	Mar. 3	6.28
Mar. 8	6.55	Mar. 9	7.25	Mar. 10	6.28
Mar. 15	6.53	Mar. 16	7.27	Mar. 17	6.42
Mar. 22	6.55	Mar. 23	7.34	Mar. 24	6.41
Mar. 29	6.52	Mar. 30	7.42	Mar. 31	6.32
Apr. 5	6.49	Apr. 6	7.40	Apr. 7	6.32
Apr. 12	6.54	Apr. 13	7.35	Apr. 14	6.35
Apr. 19	6.52	Apr. 20	7.41	Apr. 21	6.38
Apr. 26	6.42	Apr. 27	7.19	Apr. 28	6.42
May 3	6.38	May 4	7.38	May 5	6.43
May 10	6.39	May 11	7.31	May 12	6.42
May 17	6.37	May 18	7.39	May 19	6.47
May 24	6.34	May 25	7.46	May 26	6.47
May 31	6.33	June 1	7.39	June 2	6.56
June 7	6.39	June 8	7.36	June 9	6.54
June 14	6.51	June 15	7.23	June 16	6.51
June 21	6.49	June 22	7.28	June 23	6.57
June 28	6.42	June 29	7.30	June 30	6.54
July 5	6.33	July 6	7.22	July 7	6.62
July 12	6.26	July 13	7.23	July 14	6.74
July 19	6.17	July 20	7.23	July 21	6.75
July 26	....	July 27	7.14	July 28	6.70
Aug. 2	....	Aug. 3	7.10	Aug. 4	6.67
Aug. 9	....	Aug. 10	7.10	Aug. 11	6.63
Aug. 16	....	Aug. 17	7.07	Aug. 18	6.67
Aug. 23	....	Aug. 24	6.89	Aug. 25	6.73
Aug. 30	....	Aug. 31	6.65	Sept. 1	6.61
Sept. 6	....	Sept. 7	6.70	Sept. 8	6.62
Sept. 13	....	Sept. 14	6.69	Sept. 15	6.72
Sept. 20	....	Sept. 21	6.73	Sept. 22	6.71
Sept. 27	....	Sept. 28	6.71	Sept. 29	6.66
Oct. 4	....	Oct. 5	6.69	Oct. 6	6.57
Oct. 11	....	Oct. 12	6.64	Oct. 13	6.57
Oct. 18	....	Oct. 19	6.59	Oct. 20	6.54
Oct. 25	....	Oct. 26	6.71	Oct. 27	6.49
Nov. 1	....	Nov. 2	6.74	Nov. 3	6.48
Nov. 8	....	Nov. 9	6.80	Nov. 10	6.50
Nov. 15	....	Nov. 16	6.88	Nov. 17	6.51
Nov. 22	....	Nov. 23	6.85	Nov. 24	6.53
Nov. 29	....	Nov. 30	6.85	Dec. 1	6.62
Dec. 6	....	Dec. 7	6.83	Dec. 8	6.65
Dec. 13	....	Dec. 14	6.74	Dec. 15	6.66
Dec. 20	....	Dec. 21	6.75	Dec. 22	6.72
Dec. 27	....	Dec. 28	6.78	Dec. 29	6.81
Average	....		$7.50		$6.50

Note: The Wholesale Food Price Index represents the sum total of the price per pound of 31 foodstuffs in general use.

Daily Wholesale Price Index of 30 Basic Commodities

Compiled by Dun & Bradstreet, Inc., from wholesale quotations furnished by the United Press Associations. (1930-32=100)

	July 1955	June 1955	May 1955	Apr. 1955	Mar. 1955
1	273.07	270.87	†	275.66	274.82
2	*	271.28	272.61	*	274.55
3	†	270.68	272.84	†	274.79
4	*	*	273.80	274.46	274.11
5	272.28	†	273.56	274.06	*
6	273.06	270.81	273.39	274.56	†
7	272.88	271.66	*	275.48	272.90
8	272.85	271.97	†	*	273.33
9	*	272.15	273.51	*	274.26
10	†	272.64	273.34	†	275.15
11	273.13	*	272.98	275.41	275.36
12	272.55	†	273.34	275.26	*
13	272.80	273.25	273.36	275.41	†
14	274.41	273.45	*	275.49	274.66
15	274.40	273.30	†	274.86	274.56
16	*	273.89	272.98	*	275.62
17	†	273.65	272.83	†	275.98
18	273.53	*	273.22	274.36	275.46
19	273.04	†	273.25	275.11	*
20	273.25	273.11	271.68	275.16	†
21	274.80	273.35	*	275.40	275.49
22	275.09	273.05	†	275.47	275.88
23	*	272.29	272.10	*	276.20
24	†	272.62	271.74	†	276.40
25	274.61	*	271.98	275.09	275.84
26	.....	†	271.32	274.31	*
27	.....	273.26	271.37	273.06	†
28	.....	272.68	*	272.62	276.01
29	.....	273.11	†	272.80	276.76
30	.....	273.56	*	*	276.67
31	.....		270.84		276.12

(*) Holiday (†) Sunday

	High		Low	
1955	280.79	Jan. 27	270.68	June 3
1954	279.82	Dec. 28	270.72	June 30
1953	284.18	July 23	274.04	Oct. 8
1952	312.13	Jan. 5	280.05	Dec. 17
1951	329.66	Feb. 17	297.23	Sept. 10

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Retail Inventories ($).....†	23,400	23,000	23,600
Wholesale Inventories ($).....†	11,500	11,600	11,600
Manufacturing Inventories ($).....†	43,629	44,337	43,344

(*) 000 Omitted. (†) 000,000 Omitted.

Bank Clearings for Individual Cities— June 1955 and 1954

(Thousands of dollars)

	JUNE 1955	JUNE 1954	% Change	MAY 1955
Boston.....	2,848,385	2,777,490	+ 2.6	2,697,716
Philadelphia.....	5,294,000	5,040,000	+ 5.0	4,992,000
Buffalo.....	594,168	541,282	+ 9.8	548,302
Pittsburgh.....	1,831,235	1,687,361	+ 8.5	1,829,991
Cleveland.....	2,282,330	2,041,086	+ 11.8	2,125,198
Cincinnati.....	1,165,704	1,074,227	+ 8.5	1,125,749
Baltimore.....	1,559,647	1,348,283	+ 15.7	1,434,042
Richmond.....	815,946	774,602	+ 5.3	768,771
Atlanta.....	1,537,000	1,324,500	+ 16.0	1,542,100
New Orleans.....	773,544	722,369	+ 7.1	816,835
Memphis.....	496,731	453,008	+ 9.7	493,190
Chicago.....	4,431,547	4,113,921	+ 7.7	4,663,799
Detroit.....	3,070,663	2,826,951	+ 8.6	3,123,952
St. Louis.....	1,569,789	1,548,889	+ 1.3	1,504,080
Louisville.....	790,357	716,405	+ 10.3	790,947
Minneapolis.....	1,616,850	1,552,019	+ 4.2	1,490,894
Kansas City.....	1,754,474	1,642,395	+ 6.8	1,634,283
Omaha.....	648,364	602,738	+ 7.6	643,098
Denver.....	736,344	665,431	+ 10.7	733,682
Dallas.....	1,873,826	1,633,040	+ 14.7	1,846,349
Houston.....	1,660,719	1,413,757	+ 17.5	1,603,855
Los Angeles.....	3,755,679	3,266,410	+ 15.0	3,469,600
San Francisco.....	2,705,062	2,411,058	+ 12.2	2,563,834
Portland, Ore.....	788,716	700,812	+ 12.5	709,779
Seattle.....	819,682	766,812	+ 6.9	796,047
Total 25 Cities....	45,420,762	41,644,846	+ 9.1	43,948,093
New York.....	46,544,933	47,566,263	- 2.2	42,099,029
Total 26 Cities....	91,965,695	89,211,109	+ 3.1	86,047,122

Bank Clearings for Individual Cities—6 Months 1955, 1954 and 1953

	6 MONTHS 1955	6 MONTHS 1954	% Change	6 MONTHS 1953
Boston.....	16,184,936	15,169,234	+ 6.7	14,969,424
Philadelphia.....	29,095,000	28,216,000	+ 6.3	27,991,000
Buffalo.....	3,294,742	2,990,479	+ 10.2	3,052,299
Pittsburgh.....	10,215,271	9,536,670	+ 7.1	10,016,595
Cleveland.....	12,471,643	11,363,034	+ 9.8	11,808,570
Cincinnati.....	6,590,504	6,248,455	+ 5.5	6,188,784
Baltimore.....	8,426,530	7,663,099	+ 10.0	7,674,021
Richmond.....	4,542,406	4,240,539	+ 7.1	4,340,042
Atlanta.....	8,972,900	7,982,000	+ 12.4	8,118,600
New Orleans.....	4,644,161	4,296,649	+ 8.1	4,103,054
Memphis.....	3,038,786	2,880,408	+ 5.5	2,905,037
Chicago.....	25,925,841	23,729,738	+ 9.3	24,135,543
Detroit, Mich.....	17,714,256	15,699,747	+ 12.8	16,340,173
St. Louis.....	8,980,623	8,567,148	+ 4.8	8,289,335
Louisville.....	4,645,533	4,244,576	+ 9.4	4,279,877
Minneapolis.....	8,777,831	8,305,695	+ 5.7	7,827,257
Kansas City.....	9,871,217	9,079,170	+ 8.7	9,204,389
Omaha.....	3,805,534	3,944,194	- 3.5	3,842,006
Denver.....	4,116,696	3,644,010	+ 13.0	3,556,507
Dallas.....	10,668,851	9,532,852	+ 11.9	9,166,172
Houston.....	9,298,587	8,191,417	+ 13.5	8,155,747
Los Angeles.....	21,074,291	18,137,303	+ 16.2	17,465,600
San Francisco.....	15,248,674	13,415,129	+ 13.7	13,585,162
Portland, Ore.....	4,401,457	3,919,495	+ 12.3	4,251,323
Seattle.....	4,596,211	4,133,315	+ 11.2	4,115,194
Total 25 Cities....	257,502,481	235,130,356	+ 9.5	235,381,711
New York.....	267,369,567	264,626,424	+ 1.0	233,248,454
Total 26 Cities....	524,872,048	499,756,780	+ 5.0	468,630,165

Summary of Bank Clearings—Monthly—1952 to Date

(Millions of dollars)

	Total 26 United States Cities 1955	1954	1953	1952	New York City 1955	1954	1953	1952	Total 25 Cities Excluding N. Y. C. 1955	1954	1953	1952
January.....	87,462	80,946	79,037	78,356	45,004	42,599	39,082	39,160	42,458	38,347	39,955	39,196
February.....	80,589	76,130	68,623	69,594	42,646	40,866	33,899	34,684	37,943	35,264	34,724	34,910
March.....	95,249	90,883	83,913	76,125	49,403	47,723	41,689	38,783	45,846	43,160	42,224	37,342
April.....	83,559	82,815	79,149	76,964	41,673	43,437	39,190	39,943	41,887	39,378	39,959	37,021
May.....	86,047	79,771	75,787	73,283	42,099	42,435	37,671	37,109	43,948	37,336	38,116	36,174
June.....	91,966	89,211	82,121	78,589	46,545	47,566	41,717	41,023	45,421	41,645	40,404	37,566
July.....	.....	83,729	80,394	78,962	.....	44,207	39,930	41,509	.....	39,522	40,464	37,453
August.....	.....	82,817	71,871	67,369	.....	43,345	34,435	32,933	.....	39,472	37,436	34,436
September.....	.....	80,283	77,912	75,613	.....	40,710	39,003	37,032	.....	39,573	38,909	38,581
October.....	.....	83,176	80,716	83,132	.....	43,134	39,967	41,383	.....	40,042	40,749	41,749
November.....	.....	84,476	75,948	69,304	.....	43,079	37,535	33,241	.....	41,397	38,413	36,063
December.....	.....	98,823	88,142	87,897	.....	52,928	46,171	44,924	.....	45,895	41,971	42,973
Total.....	.....	1,013,060	943,613	915,188	.....	532,029	470,289	461,724	.....	481,031	473,324	453,464

Summary of Industrial and Commercial Failures—Monthly—1952 to Date

	Number of Failures 1955	1954	1953	1952	Current Liabilities (000 Omitted) 1955	1954	1953	1952	Total Liabilities (000 Omitted) 1955	1954	1953	1952
January.....	939	867	647	671	$37,872	$29,592	$23,309	$26,208	$39,000	$29,906	$23,760	$26,300
February.....	877	926	691	619	42,056	47,774	27,273	19,474	42,194	47,909	27,525	19,624
March.....	1,038	1,102	739	715	41,209	57,280	31,082	29,232	41,289	57,746	31,584	29,387
April.....	903	975	693	780	35,968	42,512	27,520	29,530	36,299	43,160	28,152	30,285
May.....	955	943	697	638	34,714	38,494	32,789	21,193	34,840	39,068	33,032	21,209
June.....	914	965	817	671	36,667	41,613	32,379	21,222	37,171	41,615	32,454	21,537
July.....	...	856	724	580	.....	32,230	39,830	22,789	.....	32,725	40,334	22,973
August.....	...	912	700	594	.....	32,582	28,529	16,322	.....	32,712	30,194	16,672
September.....	...	819	686	539	.....	36,381	33,817	20,138	.....	37,757	34,050	20,178
October.....	...	871	840	631	.....	29,000	37,076	35,049	.....	29,308	37,298	35,299
November.....	...	933	815	590	.....	35,067	36,795	18,757	.....	36,780	36,996	18,859
December.....	...	917	813	583	.....	40,103	43,754	23,400	.....	40,925	45,088	23,775
Total.....	...	11,086	8,862	7,611	.....	$462,628	$394,153	$283,314	.....	$469,611	$400,467	$286,098

United States Wholesale Commodity Price Index

BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

INDEX OF WHOLESALE COMMODITY PRICES (REVISED) 1947-49=100

Group:	June 1955	May 1955	Apr. 1955	June 1954
ALL COMMODITIES	110.3	109.0	110.5	110.0
Farm Products	91.8	91.2	94.2	94.8
Processed Foods	103.9	102.1	102.5	105.0
All Commodities Other Than Farm Products and Foods	115.6	115.5	115.7	114.2
Textile Products and Apparel	95.0	95.0	95.0	94.9
Hides, Skins & Leather Products	92.6	92.9	93.2	95.6
Fuel, Power & Lighting Materials	107.0	107.0	107.4	107.8
Chemicals and Allied Products	106.8	106.8	107.1	106.8
Metals and Metal Products	132.5	132.5	132.9	127.1
Machinery and Motive Products	127.0	126.7	126.3	124.3
Furniture, Other Household Durables	115.2	115.1	115.1	115.4
Non-Metallic Minerals - Structural	123.5	123.2	122.3	119.1
Rubber and Products	140.3	138.0	138.3	126.1
Lumber and Products	123.6	123.5	122.4	116.3
Pulp, Paper and Allied Products	118.3	117.7	117.4	115.8
Tobacco Mfres. & Bottle Beverages	121.6	121.6	121.6	121.4
Miscellaneous	89.1	91.3	94.0	105.1

United States Consumer Price Index (Cost of Living)

BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

Revised Series: 1947-49 = 100

Group:	June 1955	May 1955	Apr. 1955	June 1954
ALL ITEMS	114.4	114.2	114.2	115.1
Food	111.3	111.1	111.2	113.8
Housing	119.7	119.4	119.5	118.9
Apparel	103.2	103.2	103.1	104.2
Transportation	125.8	125.5	125.3	128.9
Medical Care	127.6	127.5	127.3	125.1
Personal Care	114.7	113.9	113.7	112.7
Reading and Recreation	106.2	106.6	106.6	106.4
Other Goods and Services	119.9	119.9	119.8	120.1

United States and Foreign Wholesale Price Index Numbers

	Base Year	May 1955	Apr. 1955	Mar. 1955	Feb. 1955	May 1954
U. S. (B.L.S.)	1947-49	109.9	110.5	110.0	110.4	110.9
Canada	1935-39	217.8	218.5	217.4	217.4	217.9
Austria	1948	255.0	258.0	258.0	258.0	244.0
Denmark	1948	138.0	138.0	138.0	136.0	135.0
Finland	1948	158.0	157.0	156.0	156.0	159.0
France	1949	137.0	135.0	135.0	135.0	139.0
Greece	1950	167.0	163.0	162.0	162.0	156.0
Guatemala	1948	109.0	112.0	111.0	109.0	118.0
India	1948	93.0	94.0	96.0	98.0	108.0
Mexico	1948	185.0	186.0	184.0	180.0	166.0
Norway	1948	154.0	153.0	153.0	153.0	155.0
Philipines	1949	90.0	91.0	91.0	91.0	93.0
Sweden	1948	143.0	143.0	142.0	141.0	138.0
Switzerland	1948	99.0	99.0	99.0	99.0	99.0
U. K. (Bd. of Tr.)	1948	152.0	152.0	153.0	154.0	151.0
		Apr. 1955	Mar. 1955	Feb. 1955	Jan. 1955	Apr. 1954
Australia	1948	190.0	192.0	189.0	186.0	186.0
Belgium	1948	107.0	107.0	107.0	107.0	105.0
Brazil	1948	271.0	268.0	267.0	265.0	242.0
Costa Rica	1948	106.0	104.0	104.0	107.0	104.0
Cuba	Aug. 1952	....	91.0	91.0	91.0	94.0
Dominican Republic	1948	90.0	89.0	90.0	89.0	89.0
Germany	1948	112.0	112.0	111.0	111.0	109.0
Italy	1948	98.0	98.0	98.0	98.0	97.0
Japan	1948	268.0	271.0	270.0	269.0	276.0
Lebanon	1948	....	71.0	72.0	72.0	72.0
Morocco, Fr	1948	139.0	142.0	141.0	143.0	134.0
Netherlands	1948	136.0	136.0	137.0	138.0	136.0
Peru	1948	238.0	237.0	235.0	234.0	222.0
Portugal	1948	110.0	110.0	110.0	109.0	112.0
Spain	1948	180.0	181.0	179.0	180.0	175.0
Turkey	1948	....	....	125.0	123.0	118.0
Union South Africa	1948	155.0	154.0	153.0	151.0	149.0
Venezuela	1948	....	101.0	100.0	101.0	101.0

Dun & Bradstreet Wholesale Food Price Index—1952 to Date

1955		1954		1953	
Jan. 4	$6.75	Jan. 5	$6.85	Jan. 6	$6.23
Jan. 11	6.81	Jan. 12	7.03	Jan. 13	6.25
Jan. 18	6.84	Jan. 19	6.96	Jan. 20	6.25
Jan. 25	6.88	Jan. 26	7.02	Jan. 27	6.22
Feb. 1	6.85	Feb. 2	7.01	Feb. 3	6.13
Feb. 8	6.77	Feb. 9	7.09	Feb. 10	6.19
Feb. 15	6.69	Feb. 16	7.11	Feb. 17	6.20
Feb. 22	6.65	Feb. 23	7.20	Feb. 24	6.21
Mar. 1	6.63	Mar. 2	7.21	Mar. 3	6.28
Mar. 8	6.55	Mar. 9	7.25	Mar. 10	6.28
Mar. 15	6.53	Mar. 16	7.27	Mar. 17	6.42
Mar. 22	6.55	Mar. 23	7.34	Mar. 24	6.41
Mar. 29	6.52	Mar. 30	7.42	Mar. 31	6.32
Apr. 5	6.49	Apr. 6	7.40	Apr. 7	6.32
Apr. 12	6.54	Apr. 13	7.35	Apr. 14	6.35
Apr. 19	6.52	Apr. 20	7.41	Apr. 21	6.38
Apr. 26	6.42	Apr. 27	7.39	Apr. 28	6.42
May 3	6.38	May 4	7.38	May 5	6.43
May 10	6.39	May 11	7.31	May 12	6.42
May 17	6.37	May 18	7.39	May 19	6.47
May 24	6.34	May 25	7.46	May 26	6.47
May 31	6.33	June 1	7.38	June 2	6.56
June 7	6.39	June 8	7.36	June 9	6.54
June 14	6.51	June 15	7.23	June 16	6.51
June 21	6.49	June 22	7.28	June 23	6.57
June 28	6.42	June 29	7.30	June 30	6.54
July 5	6.33	July 6	7.22	July 7	6.62
July 12	6.26	July 13	7.23	July 14	6.74
July 19	6.17	July 20	7.23	July 21	6.75
July 26	....	July 27	7.14	July 28	6.70
Aug. 2	....	Aug. 3	7.10	Aug. 4	6.67
Aug. 9	....	Aug. 10	7.10	Aug. 11	6.63
Aug. 16	....	Aug. 17	7.07	Aug. 18	6.67
Aug. 23	....	Aug. 24	6.89	Aug. 25	6.73
Aug. 30	....	Aug. 31	6.65	Sept. 1	6.61
Sept. 6	....	Sept. 7	6.70	Sept. 8	6.62
Sept. 13	....	Sept. 14	6.69	Sept. 15	6.72
Sept. 20	....	Sept. 21	6.73	Sept. 22	6.71
Sept. 27	....	Sept. 28	6.71	Sept. 29	6.66
Oct. 4	....	Oct. 5	6.69	Oct. 6	6.57
Oct. 11	....	Oct. 12	6.64	Oct. 13	6.57
Oct. 18	....	Oct. 19	6.59	Oct. 20	6.54
Oct. 25	....	Oct. 26	6.71	Oct. 27	6.49
Nov. 1	....	Nov. 2	6.74	Nov. 3	6.48
Nov. 8	....	Nov. 9	6.80	Nov. 10	6.50
Nov. 15	....	Nov. 16	6.88	Nov. 17	6.51
Nov. 22	....	Nov. 23	6.85	Nov. 24	6.53
Nov. 29	....	Nov. 30	6.85	Dec. 1	6.62
Dec. 6	....	Dec. 7	6.83	Dec. 8	6.65
Dec. 13	....	Dec. 14	6.74	Dec. 15	6.66
Dec. 20	....	Dec. 21	6.75	Dec. 22	6.72
Dec. 27	....	Dec. 28	6.78	Dec. 29	6.81
Average	....		$7.50		$6.50

Note: The Wholesale Food Price Index represents the sum total of the price per pound of 31 foodstuffs in general use.

Daily Wholesale Price Index of 30 Basic Commodities

Compiled by Dun & Bradstreet, Inc., from wholesale quotations furnished by the United Press Associations. (1930-32=100)

	July 1955	June 1955	May 1955	Apr. 1955	Mar. 1955
1	273.07	270.87	†.....	275.66	274.82
2	*.....	271.98	272.61	*.....	274.55
3	†.....	270.68	272.84	†.....	274.79
4	*.....	*.....	273.80	274.46	274.11
5	272.28	†.....	273.56	274.06	*.....
6	273.06	270.81	273.39	274.56	†.....
7	272.88	271.66	*.....	275.48	272.90
8	272.85	271.97	†.....	*.....	273.33
9	*.....	272.15	273.51	*.....	274.26
10	†.....	272.64	273.34	†.....	275.15
11	273.13	*.....	272.98	275.41	275.36
12	272.55	†.....	273.34	275.26	*.....
13	272.80	273.25	273.36	275.41	†.....
14	274.41	273.45	*.....	275.49	274.66
15	274.40	273.30	†.....	274.86	274.56
16	*.....	273.89	272.98	*.....	275.62
17	†.....	273.65	272.83	†.....	275.98
18	273.53	*.....	273.22	274.36	275.46
19	273.04	†.....	273.25	275.11	*.....
20	273.25	273.11	271.68	275.16	†.....
21	274.80	273.35	*.....	275.40	275.49
22	275.09	273.05	†.....	275.47	275.88
23	*.....	272.29	272.10	*.....	276.20
24	†.....	272.62	271.74	†.....	276.40
25	274.61	*.....	271.98	275.09	275.84
26	.....	†.....	271.32	274.31	*.....
27	.....	273.26	271.37	273.06	†.....
28	.....	272.68	*.....	272.62	276.01
29	.....	273.11	†.....	272.80	276.76
30	.....	273.56	*.....	*.....	276.67
31	.....		270.84		276.12

(*) Holiday (†) Sunday

	High		Low	
1955	280.79	Jan. 27	270.68	June 3
1954	279.82	Dec. 28	270.72	June 30
1953	284.18	July 23	274.04	Oct. 8
1952	312.13	Jan. 5	280.05	Dec. 17
1951	329.66	Feb. 17	297.23	Sept. 10

BUILDING PERMIT VALUES FOR 217 CITIES

June 1955 and 1954

The following table gives monthly building permit values by cities and by geographical regions. The figures represent estimated building costs under permits issued to prospective builders within the corporate limits of the cities enumerated. They include new residential and new non-residential buildings, as well as additions, alterations, and repairs. Land costs are not included. The data are compiled from reports furnished monthly to Dun & Bradstreet, Inc., by the building departments of the various cities.

	JUNE 1955	JUNE 1954	MAY 1955
New England:			
Boston, Mass.	$2,573,202	$1,499,808	$4,643,034
Bridgeport, Conn.	1,155,280	793,105	1,346,291
Bristol, Conn.	787,890	504,578	518,453
Brockton, Mass.	661,505	180,050	541,805
Cambridge, Mass.	815,237	341,536	367,910
Chelsea, Mass.	61,134	46,930	38,439
Everett, Mass.	167,855	69,968	78,580
Fall River, Mass.	138,419	234,765	68,845
Fitchburg, Mass.	152,780	134,455	323,515
Greenwich, Conn.	1,614,982	2,575,635	2,200,410
Hartford, Conn.	641,094	569,687	6,860,310
Haverhill, Mass.	232,630	89,420	503,590
Holyoke, Mass.	386,250	131,500	170,125
Lawrence, Mass.	351,705	236,150	213,503
Lowell, Mass.	216,480	100,900	251,915
Lynn, Mass.	484,225	181,730	354,730
Manchester, N. H.	1,054,544	674,414	590,682
Medford, Mass.	185,549	79,930	274,085
New Bedford, Mass.	293,660	1,005,693	251,842
New Britain, Conn.	561,180	216,650	690,050
New Haven, Conn.	2,301,872	1,475,767	646,199
Newton, Mass.	649,467	987,522	1,027,360
Norwalk, Conn.	1,183,992	1,223,052	1,556,012
Portland, Me.	612,903	219,900	338,047
Providence, R. I.	728,250	642,000	618,650
Quincy, Mass.	714,989	299,594	416,508
Salem, Mass.	166,805	111,220	97,745
Somerville, Mass.	31,935	345,725	56,525
Springfield, Mass.	1,694,851	877,429	1,785,490
Stamford, Conn.	2,067,934	5,539,644	4,378,166
Waterbury, Conn.	745,550	756,050	876,505
West Hartford, Conn.	1,418,290	1,796,825	1,596,110
Worcester, Mass.	1,189,890	779,500	1,264,955
Total New England	$26,041,829	$24,706,132	$34,946,386
Middle Atlantic:			
Manhattan (*)	$112,798,112	$2,790,950	$25,632,649
Manhattan (†)	3,063,335	5,565,608	8,106,550
Bronx (*)	5,060,600	3,577,700	4,022,500
Bronx (†)	2,900,450	2,506,190	527,200
Brooklyn (*)	10,310,310	10,795,537	10,654,200
Brooklyn (†)	1,084,837	1,472,230	3,174,145
Queens (*)	11,665,825	9,858,834	10,656,840
Queens (†)	954,040	1,413,755	1,075,640
Richmond (*)	1,154,000	843,870	1,766,650
Richmond (†)	88,975	325,070	166,260
Total N. Y. City	$149,080,484	$39,149,744	$65,782,634
(*) New Work. (†) Alterations.			
Albany, N. Y.	$1,358,714	$582,188	$3,830,712
Allentown, Pa.	4,147,055	786,895	1,178,180
Altoona, Pa.	279,860	158,222	165,167
Atlantic City, N. J.	42,157	164,781	237,160
Auburn, N. Y.	352,900	85,900	179,200
Bayonne, N. J.	72,360	236,355	118,927
Binghamton, N. Y.	756,083	590,406	445,864
Buffalo, N. Y.	1,870,911	2,347,929	1,876,909
Camden, N. J.	394,210	722,996	437,239
East Orange, N. J.	579,294	306,617	978,388
Elizabeth, N. J.	466,500	315,175	177,040
Elmira, N. Y.	714,894	157,185	256,726
Erie, Pa.	4,006,980	5,388,935	974,910
Harrisburg, Pa.	974,757	1,071,011	537,632
Jamestown, N. Y.	574,237	382,454	720,427
Jersey City, N. J.	396,970	173,650	439,825
Lancaster, Pa.	356,520	166,480	195,616
Mount Vernon, N. Y.	657,025	271,183	257,968
Newark, N. J.	411,095	10,909,806	570,475
New Brunswick, N. J.	92,500	111,987	252,000
New Rochelle, N. Y.	2,521,740	747,294	4,089,800
Niagara Falls, N. Y.	1,155,698	525,698	925,757
Philadelphia, Pa.	22,311,360	12,569,890	14,631,710
Pittsburgh, Pa.	7,759,220	3,376,831	3,056,047
Poughkeepsie, N. Y.	423,299	64,409	1,606,927
Reading, Pa.	735,340	357,152	446,432
Rochester, N. Y.	1,499,053	1,152,176	1,853,249
Schenectady, N. Y.	268,921	761,989	405,510
Scranton, Pa.	459,316	161,209	229,215
Syracuse, N. Y.	2,160,970	1,247,895	1,800,900
Troy, N. Y.	174,315	71,830	168,307
Utica, N. Y.	748,800	379,600	697,125
Watertown, N. Y.	320,537	97,477	138,455
White Plains, N. Y.	1,145,220	387,730	92,612
Wilkes Barre, Pa.	196,716	973,664	160,400
Williamsport, Pa.	159,240	299,581	189,439
Wilmington, Dela.	357,939	352,482	329,706
Yonkers, N. Y.	1,710,211	786,850	2,702,175
York, Pa.	175,091	334,976	248,280
Total Middle Atl.	$211,868,492	$88,728,632	$113,384,445

	JUNE 1955	JUNE 1954	MAY 1955
South Atlantic:			
Asheville, N. C.	$330,763	$329,090	$246,380
Atlanta, Ga.	6,458,461	27,012,307	6,253,622
Augusta, Ga.	536,083	163,758	289,564
Baltimore, Md.	13,217,208	7,754,214	19,255,908
Charleston, S. C.	393,152	211,610	507,404
Charlotte, N. C.	1,604,583	1,918,143	3,609,029
Coral Gables, Fla.	1,650,462	1,311,542	1,701,068
Greensboro, N. C.	1,205,523	972,311	1,009,319
Greenville, S. C.	817,266	1,160,940	1,101,598
Jacksonville, Fla.	2,232,492	1,641,866	1,258,854
Lynchburg, Va.	2,106,720	308,952	549,181
Macon, Ga.	237,506	112,936	184,840
Miami, Fla.	5,163,712	4,672,401	3,826,909
Miami Beach, Fla.	2,503,092	2,723,503	1,197,387
Norfolk, Va.	1,261,483	783,871	1,383,025
Richmond, Va.	3,282,184	1,756,547	2,446,657
Roanoke, Va.	1,422,771	1,119,635	980,510
Savannah, Ga.	556,245	447,880	389,121
Tampa, Fla.	4,588,032	3,681,485	5,267,321
Washington, D. C.	15,688,892	6,321,132	5,067,360
Winston Salem, N. C.	722,186	961,116	1,116,462
Total So. Atlantic	$65,978,816	$65,365,239	$57,641,519
East Central:			
Akron, Ohio	$3,264,938	$3,136,608	$3,066,986
Bay City, Mich.	593,746	500,000	982,139
Berwyn, Ills.	1,003,026	562,601	984,886
Bluefield, W. Va.	92,872	110,725	98,214
Canton, Ohio	589,775	1,059,120	960,620
Chicago, Ills.	19,912,600	16,919,300	27,640,100
Cincinnati, Ohio	6,850,435	4,566,455	4,314,840
Clarksburg, W. Va.	205,020	95,365	185,151
Cleveland, Ohio	6,628,400	7,414,700	10,252,000
Columbus, Ohio	4,035,325	4,208,680	5,497,235
Dayton, Ohio	4,255,432	2,127,420	2,423,670
Detroit, Mich.	9,130,940	14,121,191	11,101,902
East St. Louis, Ills.	697,335	170,000	182,817
Evanston, Ills.	2,222,474	872,281	1,565,343
Evansville, Ind.	439,838	389,470	420,071
Flint, Mich.	2,804,965	3,910,075	2,693,150
Fort Wayne, Ind.	1,147,971	1,036,175	861,416
Gary, Ind.	2,502,512	2,607,431	1,998,079
Grand Rapids, Mich.	1,012,060	2,231,515	2,244,695
Green Bay, Wisc.	853,815	1,122,165	1,069,843
Hammond, Ind.	3,737,698	1,320,693	1,386,935
Huntington, W. Va.	1,652,842	1,091,064	529,355
Indianapolis, Ind.	2,899,496	1,810,050	3,192,653
Lansing, Mich.	1,711,882	1,344,569	1,241,570
Lima, Ohio	381,455	184,520	265,500
Louisville, Ky.	4,841,719	2,302,266	2,162,942
Madison, Wisc.	2,395,550	1,132,160	2,234,135
Milwaukee, Wisc.	6,724,656	11,680,295	9,115,674
Newark, Ohio	443,380	135,825	332,085
Oak Park, Ills.	209,030	261,795	875,145
Peoria, Ills.	1,612,101	467,224	615,709
Pontiac, Mich.	1,064,765	2,765,914	509,625
Quincy, Ills.	262,653	231,998	284,965
Racine, Wisc.	1,219,818	709,255	1,200,660
Rockford, Ills.	2,600,475	943,150	1,546,075
Saginaw, Mich.	559,175	2,601,260	1,038,584
South Bend, Ind.	2,195,540	1,542,504	1,688,354
Springfield, Ills.	286,325	295,000	423,698
Springfield, Ohio	358,350	99,628	53,600
Superior, Wisc.	122,264	65,197	163,804
Terre Haute, Ind.	190,610	293,013	1,096,106
Toledo, Ohio	3,966,553	2,252,070	1,739,220
Waukegan, Ills.	1,252,165	460,619	919,066
Wheeling, W. Va.	1,151,820	2,195,200	4,517,300
Youngstown, Ohio	3,532,290	4,271,798	1,244,792
Zanesville, Ohio	42,505	30,670	59,137
Total East Central	$113,658,596	$107,649,034	$116,977,846
South Central:			
Abilene, Texas	$1,636,169	$750,965	$1,367,757
Amarillo, Texas	1,378,714	2,363,588	2,427,387
Austin, Texas	4,212,916	3,940,543	4,247,868
Beaumont, Texas	646,124	314,921	833,474
Birmingham, Ala.	3,998,831	2,910,035	2,974,670
Chattanooga, Tenn.	513,438	567,099	575,932
Dallas, Texas	14,188,577	12,050,522	12,927,253
El Paso, Texas	2,447,938	2,338,158	2,731,422
Fort Smith, Ark.	428,605	405,298	472,373
Fort Worth, Texas	4,365,345	5,270,628	4,189,733
Galveston, Texas	336,085	113,211	324,403
Houston, Texas	12,340,774	11,418,283	17,829,487
Jackson, Miss.	1,401,732	1,168,768	1,374,118
Knoxville, Tenn.	738,541	867,462	806,464
Little Rock, Ark.	935,867	2,901,200	981,139
Memphis, Tenn.	4,485,633	4,169,114	4,219,822
Mobile, Ala.	1,585,109	1,014,779	1,604,415

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So. Cent. (Cont'd)			
Montgomery, Ala.	$1,283,210	$1,930,050	$1,328,053
Muskogee, Okla.	90,550	117,000	104,020
Nashville, Tenn.	1,711,864	1,233,872	1,044,765
New Orleans, La.	10,161,530	5,818,069	6,740,581
Oklahoma City, Okla.	4,523,002	3,884,015	4,627,270
Port Arthur, Texas	411,537	340,538	362,694
San Angelo, Texas	465,742	323,801	632,128
San Antonio, Texas	5,741,376	4,572,923	5,340,121
Shreveport, La.	3,389,051	1,872,323	1,920,367
Tulsa, Okla.	2,371,150	2,645,050	1,939,410
Waco, Texas	953,080	1,261,155	832,062
Wichita Falls, Texas	871,401	544,010	1,095,667
Total So. Central	$87,613,891	$77,107,380	$85,854,855
West Central:			
Cedar Rapids, Iowa	$1,901,293	$2,711,774	$987,975
Davenport, Iowa	1,805,675	798,863	2,504,856
Des Moines, Iowa	2,880,367	1,655,108	2,880,367
Dubuque, Iowa	475,690	471,871	405,333
Duluth, Minn.	598,040	487,113	1,411,670
Fargo, N. D.	2,696,880	585,803	1,232,007
Kansas City, Kas.	878,637	2,081,397	906,060
Kansas City, Mo.	6,243,000	7,165,000	5,322,000
Lincoln, Neb.	2,017,172	1,524,880	4,201,851
Minneapolis, Minn.	7,759,518	3,067,878	3,950,989
Omaha, Neb.	3,089,964	3,619,575	2,471,920
St. Joseph, Mo.	440,772	352,960	929,713
St. Louis, Mo.	3,641,777	11,649,403	3,745,114
St. Paul, Minn.	4,072,005	2,105,942	4,867,595
Sioux City, Iowa	1,401,185	854,570	683,875
Sioux Falls, S. D.	1,249,117	776,266	1,669,876
Topeka, Kas.	1,447,772	1,251,030	1,374,140
Wichita, Kas.	5,017,863	4,327,603	4,624,102
Total West Central	$47,616,727	$45,487,036	$44,169,443

	JUNE 1955	JUNE 1954	MAY 1955
Mountain:			
Albuquerque, N. M.	$5,724,791	$1,691,554	$3,307,617
Billings, Mont.	515,150	518,500	2,350,850
Boise, Idaho	580,411	1,450,610	843,046
Butte, Mont.	88,708	92,991	229,133
Colorado Springs, Col	1,573,209	657,220	1,683,681
Denver, Col.	8,571,200	8,848,843	8,142,600
Great Falls, Mont.	572,439	305,825	664,323
Ogden, Utah	931,300	655,400	1,379,275
Phoenix, Ariz.	2,004,645	1,084,788	602,755
Pueblo, Col.	1,596,809	819,681	953,439
Salt Lake City, Utah	2,487,440	3,781,811	1,574,549
Tucson, Ariz.	858,242	548,261	965,138
Total Mountain	$25,504,344	$20,455,484	$22,696,406
Pacific:			
Bakersfield, Cal.	$1,011,847	$2,513,431	$429,996
Berkeley, Cal.	997,999	736,856	940,189
Beverly Hills, Cal.	1,031,820	663,479	1,019,682
Fresno, Cal.	2,468,263	2,722,703	4,395,361
Glendale, Cal.	1,768,823	1,137,048	1,236,554
Long Beach, Cal.	5,837,365	4,854,155	6,865,975
Los Angeles, Cal.	32,176,422	43,169,148	33,948,451
Oakland, Cal.	5,236,229	2,465,456	3,154,272
Pasadena, Cal.	6,846,637	2,368,934	2,188,843
Portland, Ore.	3,966,735	4,634,435	4,914,755
Sacramento, Cal.	2,690,194	2,224,240	2,768,423
San Diego, Cal.	6,911,489	4,662,163	6,535,232
San Francisco, Cal.	6,142,631	7,100,107	4,711,911
San Jose, Cal.	6,206,260	1,947,910	3,522,935
Seattle, Wash.	6,758,115	6,742,200	7,374,665
Spokane, Wash.	2,671,605	2,666,302	2,582,607
Stockton, Cal.	4,803,059	1,205,010	1,521,929
Tacoma, Wash.	1,222,651	1,857,422	1,544,957
Total Pacific	$105,748,144	$93,670,999	$89,656,737
Total 215 Cities	$684,030,839	$523,169,936	$565,327,637

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New England:			
Boston, Mass.	$19,782,471	$11,748,066	$13,484,303
Bridgeport, Conn.	5,781,431	2,856,270	7,199,953
Bristol, Conn.	2,824,880	2,644,931	1,376,232
Brockton, Mass.	3,666,018	2,849,299	2,841,784
Cambridge, Mass.	4,015,227	1,572,012	6,081,770
Chelsea, Mass.	245,309	187,551	290,888
Everett, Mass.	2,563,903	1,244,156	670,995
Fall River, Mass.	1,088,742	918,550	795,720
Fitchburg, Mass.	923,380	2,266,085	1,115,644
Greenwich, Conn.	7,555,710	8,900,475	5,208,400
Hartford, Conn.	24,732,841	4,664,656	7,899,738
Haverhill, Mass.	1,317,210	517,500	753,993
Holyoke, Mass.	1,552,785	784,225	1,082,620
Lawrence, Mass.	1,345,393	580,910	568,013
Lowell, Mass.	1,198,080	692,210	814,850
Lynn, Mass.	1,808,564	2,557,717	2,169,807
Manchester, N. H.	5,065,234	2,505,886	2,721,117
Medford, Mass.	1,187,984	997,380	1,579,100
New Bedford, Mass.	1,272,072	2,017,587	2,958,030
New Britain, Conn.	2,937,180	1,642,355	2,044,921
New Haven, Conn.	6,956,035	6,809,562	7,163,598
Newton, Mass.	4,214,157	5,118,123	3,915,887
Norwalk, Conn.	7,433,085	4,887,763	5,418,355
Portland, Me.	2,696,491	1,195,239	1,665,996
Providence, R. I.	4,137,850	2,473,300	3,527,960
Quincy, Mass.	2,551,455	2,500,988	2,059,417
Salem, Mass.	1,334,130	806,034	1,401,143
Somerville, Mass.	412,970	679,331	3,232,385
Springfield, Mass.	8,601,567	8,027,591	5,464,783
Stamford, Conn.	11,508,177	11,346,662	7,993,397
Waterbury, Conn.	4,231,834	3,089,725	3,841,700
West Hartford, Conn.	6,420,537	7,905,433	7,750,064
Worcester, Mass.	4,396,839	6,775,525	3,964,058
Total New England	$155,759,541	$113,763,097	$119,056,621
Middle Atlantic:			
Manhattan (*)	$216,905,747	$97,830,225	$52,012,263
Manhattan (†)	20,128,275	27,265,963	15,617,719
Bronx (*)	29,016,942	20,004,135	30,662,961
Bronx (†)	5,712,823	5,566,625	4,567,312
Brooklyn (*)	53,786,240	54,609,926	34,070,329
Brooklyn (†)	11,345,682	11,948,225	8,776,012
Queens (*)	71,490,293	80,781,696	83,671,995
Queens (†)	6,183,402	8,093,910	9,386,574
Richmond (*)	6,314,230	4,561,039	5,191,863
Richmond (†)	607,770	1,087,292	887,509
Total New York City. (*) New Work. (†) Alterations	$421,491,404	$311,749,036	$244,844,537
Albany, N. Y.	$9,479,824	$3,687,532	$3,471,717
Allentown, Pa.	8,743,225	3,329,270	5,386,320
Altoona, Pa.	923,697	847,260	1,028,693
Atlantic City, N. J.	806,095	1,162,180	1,382,792

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Middle Atl. (Cont.)			
Auburn, N. Y.	$966,345	$1,370,120	$900,550
Bayonne, N. J.	1,384,567	781,854	1,492,145
Binghamton, N. Y.	1,983,882	1,637,676	2,920,954
Buffalo, N. Y.	10,023,419	7,866,176	8,273,681
Camden, N. J.	1,574,665	2,243,012	2,402,821
East Orange, N. J.	1,950,581	1,361,934	555,527
Elizabeth, N. J.	1,724,425	4,143,281	1,524,025
Elmira, N. Y.	1,496,189	1,929,337	960,488
Erie, Pa.	9,333,115	9,609,312	4,750,440
Harrisburg, Pa.	8,577,862	11,357,705	2,073,443
Jamestown, N. Y.	3,924,867	1,367,683	1,686,283
Jersey City, N. J.	4,060,019	1,627,675	5,065,432
Lancaster, Pa.	1,666,043	2,920,140	1,809,142
Mount Vernon, N. Y.	3,533,820	1,619,901	5,466,782
Newark, N. J.	3,535,544	23,837,013	5,459,785
New Brunswick, N. J.	4,559,958	927,314	959,545
New Rochelle, N. Y.	13,791,978	7,230,694	8,327,700
Niagara Falls, N. Y.	4,551,622	4,465,209	3,916,604
Philadelphia, Pa.	80,352,440	78,328,390	56,768,620
Pittsburgh, Pa.	30,258,498	17,920,438	13,482,153
Poughkeepsie, N. Y.	2,498,712	529,048	1,575,119
Reading, Pa.	3,127,936	2,372,411	2,308,658
Rochester, N. Y.	9,598,167	8,458,944	13,243,903
Schenectady, N. Y.	2,030,579	2,007,980	3,776,256
Scranton, Pa.	2,113,749	1,186,279	8,460,993
Syracuse, N. Y.	9,981,595	7,458,331	9,088,072
Troy, N. Y.	786,185	611,243	785,380
Utica, N. Y.	1,985,175	1,043,755	1,139,171
Watertown, N. Y.	695,306	388,816	2,379,237
White Plains, N. Y.	3,072,949	4,287,201	7,630,729
Wilkes Barre, Pa.	1,227,956	1,758,212	723,137
Williamsport, Pa.	851,685	947,614	739,827
Wilmington, Del.	3,860,800	5,260,866	5,276,302
Yonkers, N. Y.	8,888,636	6,275,525	13,506,173
York, Pa.	977,750	1,708,060	1,078,489
Total Middle Atl.	$682,391,264	$547,614,427	$456,621,625
South Atlantic:			
Asheville, N. C.	$1,644,501	$1,980,479	$1,452,279
Atlanta, Ga.	40,548,039	50,692,241	40,027,029
Augusta, Ga.	3,609,412	2,004,763	12,923,824
Baltimore, Md.	65,532,266	36,227,616	47,778,630
Charleston, S. C.	1,675,767	1,204,662	3,644,880
Charlotte, N. C.	15,175,558	10,043,716	15,882,850
Coral Gables, Fla.	8,350,874	7,161,064	6,837,029
Greensboro, N. C.	5,832,947	5,840,987	6,276,588
Greenville, S. C.	4,194,012	4,205,760	3,243,892
Jacksonville, Fla.	9,500,225	28,813,556	12,591,644
Lynchburg, Va.	6,202,518	2,760,549	2,931,505
Macon, Ga.	1,359,631	2,004,308	2,681,265
Miami, Fla.	27,352,586	24,041,074	23,389,257
Miami Beach, Fla.	14,704,005	10,795,766	9,611,175
Norfolk, Va.	6,926,209	6,939,941	9,298,270

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South Atl. (Cont.)			
Richmond, Va.	$12,727,949	$14,145,308	$8,873,135
Roanoke, Va.	6,510,124	6,326,260	6,698,215
Savannah, Ga.	2,936,291	6,768,988	3,371,165
Tampa, Fla.	26,892,513	21,073,849	10,711,435
Washington, D. C.	44,151,512	32,779,964	38,314,719
Winston Salem, N. C.	5,737,798	6,861,958	4,677,970
Total South Atl.	$311,564,737	$282,672,809	$271,216,756
East Central:			
Akron, Ohio	$16,948,953	$14,234,248	$21,070,471
Bay City, Mich.	2,716,919	2,227,365	3,201,562
Berwyn, Ills.	3,867,880	2,492,240	1,769,864
Bluefield, W. Va.	826,681	573,905	624,550
Canton, Ohio	3,266,242	2,869,688	3,595,131
Chicago, Ills.	125,526,800	110,843,200	105,837,900
Cincinnati, Ohio	23,363,285	29,598,090	26,505,340
Clarksburg, W. Va.	1,053,409	1,411,875	1,498,331
Cleveland, Ohio	36,223,700	35,369,600	47,265,700
Columbus, Ohio	19,902,265	17,888,240	24,784,520
Dayton, Ohio	18,334,155	10,505,697	11,044,328
Detroit, Mich.	64,772,100	65,021,107	108,124,416
East St. Louis, Ills	2,008,222	2,372,794	1,788,813
Evanston, Ills.	8,125,913	6,547,706	6,248,690
Evansville, Ind.	2,466,275	3,172,470	2,376,410
Flint, Mich.	14,988,790	15,750,695	10,846,515
Fort Wayne, Ind.	8,189,344	12,340,203	5,483,185
Gary, Ind.	9,318,306	13,112,486	12,981,381
Grand Rapids, Mich.	6,407,965	5,800,186	5,297,415
Green Bay Wis.	9,566,732	5,585,103	5,041,092
Hammond, Ind.	9,848,550	7,994,948	6,922,869
Huntington, W. Va.	3,674,068	3,023,339	2,412,461
Indianapolis, Ind.	13,964,755	18,190,275	13,055,632
Lansing, Mich.	10,252,980	4,908,382	11,310,227
Lima, Ohio	1,532,105	1,099,250	4,230,540
Louisville, Ky.	14,563,441	16,079,388	9,376,127
Madison, Wis.	8,298,714	5,037,773	4,857,829
Milwaukee, Wis.	47,099,935	50,031,470	36,668,002
Newark, Ohio	2,536,550	1,499,490	982,972
Oak Park, Ills.	2,039,823	1,015,759	2,450,930
Peoria, Ills.	6,166,421	3,939,353	5,328,152
Pontiac, Mich.	4,847,427	5,712,044	3,894,467
Quincy, Ills.	1,842,364	1,654,415	1,773,726
Racine, Wis.	7,130,841	4,575,045	3,703,311
Rockford, Ills.	11,028,260	7,836,800	5,898,735
Saginaw, Mich.	4,559,012	6,233,995	2,902,751
South Bend, Ind.	8,765,764	9,270,806	8,692,315
Springfield, Ills.	2,312,275	10,644,208	3,639,038
Springfield, Ohio	2,131,600	1,628,728	2,288,525
Superior, Wis.	434,280	957,149	575,995
Terre Haute, Ind.	2,035,062	2,564,853	818,771
Toledo, Ohio	12,577,007	8,517,461	13,344,060
Waukegan, Ills.	3,803,934	8,648,002	2,061,239
Wheeling, W. Va.	6,830,960	3,577,550	1,588,400
Youngstown, Ohio	8,767,814	8,473,997	7,833,739
Zanesville, Ohio	266,634	239,090	400,147
Total East Central	$575,194,512	$551,070,468	$562,396,574
South Central:			
Abilene, Texas	$9,711,123	$5,316,131	$4,900,578
Amarillo, Texas	13,055,977	9,824,406	11,010,445
Austin, Texas	22,603,732	20,823,456	16,028,444
Beaumont, Texas	4,837,880	4,305,734	3,868,452
Birmingham, Ala.	19,047,893	12,442,776	13,266,200
Chattanooga, Tenn.	3,748,814	5,564,154	4,283,579
Dallas, Texas	89,209,372	65,226,246	51,241,760
El Paso, Texas	18,523,179	11,007,909	13,695,561
Fort Smith, Ark.	2,254,657	2,297,967	2,151,266
Fort Worth, Texas	29,571,273	22,104,568	24,367,320
Galveston, Texas	1,599,807	3,236,411	3,679,089
Houston, Texas	82,870,428	72,461,604	72,390,684
Jackson, Miss.	7,917,898	5,506,008	13,639,219
Knoxville, Tenn.	5,106,027	3,660,602	3,931,258
Little Rock, Ark.	6,586,210	7,566,172	5,676,744
Memphis, Tenn.	25,323,872	23,223,077	27,288,194

	6 MONTHS 1955	6 MONTHS 1954	6 MONTHS 1953
South Cent. (Cont.)			
Mobile, Ala.	$9,439,260	$6,354,588	$3,214,612
Montgomery, Ala.	7,961,834	8,753,915	5,279,101
Muskogee, Okla.	565,970	537,508	453,500
Nashville, Tenn.	6,926,166	5,004,173	6,808,351
New Orleans, La.	62,506,684	24,802,604	44,346,567
Oklahoma City, Okla.	26,902,184	26,639,215	28,657,458
Port Arthur, Texas	2,635,466	1,817,186	1,783,188
San Angelo, Texas	3,939,530	4,059,533	2,396,809
San Antonio, Texas	32,676,911	23,065,289	27,445,780
Shreveport, La.	19,661,744	10,401,767	12,601,317
Tulsa, Okla.	13,252,232	11,088,850	9,719,950
Waco, Texas	6,823,773	6,338,805	5,580,858
Wichita Falls, Texas	6,444,808	4,148,758	4,219,138
Total South Cent.	$541,705,303	$407,579,412	$423,925,422
West Central:			
Cedar Rapids, Iowa	$7,537,202	$5,908,476	$4,914,394
Davenport, Iowa	7,394,949	4,306,764	3,439,050
Des Moines, Iowa	16,806,475	10,959,350	14,690,456
Dubuque, Iowa	2,130,037	1,579,922	1,569,329
Duluth, Minn.	4,364,360	1,748,438	3,094,755
Fargo, N. D.	6,058,552	2,474,095	2,161,315
Kansas City, Kas.	5,334,255	6,549,955	2,487,534
Kansas City, Mo.	35,110,000	31,320,000	16,546,000
Lincoln, Neb.	11,646,907	6,936,333	4,286,400
Minneapolis, Minn.	26,120,061	14,516,678	15,239,199
Omaha, Neb.	12,919,426	12,252,135	8,366,428
St. Joseph, Mo.	3,793,117	954,825	1,523,444
St. Louis, Mo.	28,504,736	35,395,742	29,778,146
St. Paul, Minn.	18,589,803	18,691,083	19,391,993
Sioux City, Iowa	3,244,610	2,646,616	2,206,143
Sioux Falls, S. D.	5,865,291	3,748,178	2,759,147
Topeka, Kas.	5,418,746	5,900,312	4,936,920
Wichita, Kas.	29,015,798	19,149,059	16,102,003
Total West Central	$229,854,325	$185,037,961	$153,492,656
Mountain:			
Albuquerque, N. M.	$24,298,766	$16,580,502	$21,033,197
Billings, Mont.	4,878,750	5,880,920	3,417,000
Boise, Idaho	3,393,252	2,838,545	2,463,989
Butte, Mont.	508,269	484,350	254,707
Colorado Springs, Col.	10,836,785	4,684,513	4,585,578
Denver, Col.	53,543,400	41,165,948	44,197,820
Great Falls, Mont.	3,057,823	1,649,925	1,557,760
Ogden, Utah	5,911,075	3,263,500	4,133,254
Phoenix, Ariz.	9,642,073	10,338,412	7,926,596
Pueblo, Col.	6,814,967	3,875,656	4,451,760
Salt Lake City, U.	9,906,603	9,768,881	7,582,165
Tucson, Ariz.	5,873,831	4,251,973	3,078,032
Total Mountain	$138,665,594	$104,783,125	$104,681,858
Pacific:			
Bakersfield, Cal.	$5,808,826	$13,303,772	$7,199,960
Berkeley, Cal.	5,185,786	3,516,676	2,910,876
Beverly Hills, Cal.	5,467,429	5,793,628	3,548,168
Fresno, Cal.	16,997,518	12,097,560	8,416,896
Glendale, Cal.	7,938,347	7,500,185	8,088,148
Long Beach, Cal.	38,859,625	21,735,965	32,072,510
Los Angeles, Cal.	211,928,168	201,644,062	234,366,501
Oakland, Cal.	17,130,499	10,949,515	15,602,037
Pasadena, Cal.	14,956,713	8,770,283	6,333,206
Portland, Ore.	24,700,050	20,392,800	28,610,495
Sacramento, Cal.	14,782,301	10,468,107	21,090,208
San Diego, Cal.	42,820,436	40,725,944	40,709,097
San Francisco, Cal.	29,449,994	25,383,008	24,381,006
San Jose, Cal.	21,206,774	9,803,035	9,176,071
Seattle, Wash.	39,733,280	35,649,035	24,841,220
Spokane, Wash.	13,176,838	18,216,157	13,482,518
Stockton, Cal.	9,306,815	5,246,574	4,459,991
Tacoma, Wash.	7,664,821	8,359,587	6,445,988
Total Pacific	$527,114,220	$459,555,893	$493,734,896
Total 217 Cities	$3,162,249,496	$2,652,077,192	$2,585,126,408

BUILDING PERMIT VALUES FOR 217 CITIES—MONTHLY—1953 TO DATE

	TOTAL UNITED STATES - 217 CITIES			NEW YORK CITY			OUTSIDE NEW YORK CITY - 216 CITIES		
	1955	1954	1953	1955	1954	1953	1955	1954	1953
Jan.	$406,628,525	$345,352,829	$312,280,681	$49,423,105	$32,068,684	$28,765,075	$357,205,420	$313,284,145	$283,515,606
Feb.	442,092,367	345,986,529	339,285,454	47,687,734	51,047,477	27,394,212	394,404,633	294,939,052	311,891,242
Mar.	542,997,099	512,663,611	471,778,751	59,577,583	99,045,726	42,546,378	483,419,516	413,617,885	429,232,373
Apr.	521,173,029	489,888,868	537,113,987	49,939,864	55,063,895	50,678,096	471,233,165	434,824,973	486,435,891
May	565,327,637	435,015,419	466,303,606	65,782,634	35,373,510	52,196,126	499,545,003	399,641,909	414,107,480
June	684,030,839	523,169,936	458,363,929	149,080,484	39,149,744	43,264,650	534,950,355	484,020,192	415,099,279
July	.....	448,439,021	532,586,794	.....	40,301,251	69,097,923	.....	408,137,770	463,488,871
Aug.	.....	459,157,830	423,354,317	.....	30,841,192	38,704,044	.....	428,316,638	384,650,273
Sept.	.....	482,032,488	412,211,845	.....	47,413,380	42,701,615	.....	434,619,108	369,510,230
Oct.	.....	463,728,026	428,717,360	.....	30,760,116	56,692,401	.....	432,967,910	372,024,959
Nov.	.....	427,879,197	376,971,823	.....	45,195,814	49,037,818	.....	382,683,383	327,934,005
Dec.	.....	408,940,808	377,077,647	.....	40,309,360	55,856,712	.....	368,631,448	321,220,935
Total	.....	$5,342,254,562	$5,136,046,194	.....	$546,570,149	$556,935,050	.....	$4,795,684,413	$4,579,111,144

NEW BUSINESS INCORPORATIONS BY STATES AND GEOGRAPHICAL REGIONS

	JUNE 1955	MAY 1955	APR. 1955	JUNE 1954	SIX MONTHS 1955	1954	1953	1952
NEW ENGLAND								
Maine	41	46	40	40	272	216	224	176
New Hampshire	26	44	45	28	216	198	206	147
Vermont	22	15	24	18	121	91	105	79
Massachusetts	350	328	354	298	2,025	1,791	1,729	1,424
Connecticut	187	158	207	185	1,186	951	917	791
Rhode Island	87	83	97	64	594	469	410	379
Total New England	713	674	767	633	4,414	3,716	3,591	2,996
MIDDLE ATLANTIC								
New York	2,484	2,457	2,308	2,172	15,554	13,214	12,479	11,650
New Jersey	724	741	718	636	4,547	3,728	3,597	3,220
Pennsylvania	483	385	323	340	2,331	1,995	1,845	1,668
Total Middle Atlantic	3,691	3,583	3,349	3,148	22,432	18,937	17,921	16,538
EAST NORTH CENTRAL								
Ohio	700	662	692	527	4,187	3,403	3,223	2,892
Indiana	204	163	187	159	1,144	894	883	635
Illinois	632	543	507	423	3,287	2,674	2,616	2,158
Michigan	437	294	377	369	2,449	2,052	1,674	1,127
Wisconsin	201	178	181	157	1,167	863	700	649
Total East North Central	2,174	1,840	1,944	1,635	12,234	9,886	9,096	7,461
WEST NORTH CENTRAL								
Minnesota	179	182	161	117	1,019	772	691	507
Iowa	58	45	67	51	388	281	263	230
Missouri	206	208	224	175	1,336	1,008	1,025	821
North Dakota	17	20	16	12	115	88	121	83
South Dakota	27	25	32	14	156	110	132	69
Nebraska	52	52	43	44	319	261	204	179
Kansas	108	150	96	68	608	392	293	320
Total West North Central	647	682	639	481	3,941	2,912	2,729	2,209
SOUTH ATLANTIC								
Maryland	251	263	201	193	1,460	1,115	1,138	972
Delaware	320	327	330	258	1,953	1,451	1,462	1,442
Virginia	152	182	157	170	1,001	859	830	704
West Virginia	34	53	54	43	319	352	299	255
North Carolina	135	152	138	101	911	690	760	641
South Carolina	76	49	71	80	427	377	337	297
Georgia	181	163	182	120	1,077	818	702	565
Florida	678	668	617	448	3,760	2,617	2,532	1,978
Total South Atlantic	1,827	1,857	1,750	1,413	10,908	8,279	8,060	6,854
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL								
Kentucky	129	93	84	72	598	393	371	334
Tennessee	149	106	109	96	805	640	598	501
Alabama	62	112	68	66	518	364	366	298
Mississippi	60	51	58	41	327	248	219	233
Total East South Central	400	362	319	275	2,248	1,645	1,554	1,366
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL								
Arkansas	53	47	50	37	299	203	251	251
Oklahoma	104	136	145	75	780	578	506	515
Louisiana	152	111	146	98	818	553	577	455
Texas	689	467	443	238	2,985	2,159	1,994	1,927
Total West South Central	998	761	784	448	4,882	3,493	3,328	3,148
MOUNTAIN								
Montana	32	36	31	30	191	169	153	122
Idaho	32	41	47	28	226	172	174	154
Wyoming	16	22	33	19	155	119	99	78
Colorado	191	226	170	126	1,149	667	526	407
New Mexico	59	40	38	40	264	179	161	121
Arizona	93	107	93	96	634	519	412	406
Utah	79	61	62	70	405	297	225	179
Nevada	140	143	132	99	816	481	411	314
Total Mountain	642	676	606	508	3,840	2,603	2,161	1,781
PACIFIC								
Washington	73	160	156	62	874	620	635	488
Oregon	90	120	102	80	634	410	464	390
California	1,350	1,314	1,340	1,065	7,950	5,389	4,932	4,184
Total Pacific	1,513	1,594	1,598	1,207	9,458	6,419	6,031	5,062
TOTAL 48 STATES	12,605	12,029	11,756	9,748	74,357	57,890	54,471	47,415

NEW BUSINESS INCORPORATIONS—48 STATES—MONTHLY—JULY 1945 TO DATE

	1955	1954	1953	1952	1951	1950	1949	1948	1947	1946	1945
January	13,181	9,543	9,468	8,357	8,515	9,070	7,906	11,000	12,112	13,006	.....
February	11,369	8,533	7,943	7,138	6,590	7,736	6,362	7,873	9,111	10,554	.....
March	13,417	10,514	9,659	7,902	7,649	9,180	7,637	9,346	10,247	12,225	.....
April	11,756	10,272	9,507	8,284	7,653	8,375	7,273	9,223	9,802	12,469	.....
May	12,029	9,280	8,968	7,915	7,544	9,216	7,445	8,246	9,179	12,044	.....
June	12,605	9,748	8,926	7,819	6,810	8,861	7,260	8,550	8,922	11,402	.....
July	.....	9,409	8,703	7,549	6,428	7,191	6,424	7,690	9,041	11,987	4,213
August	.....	9,041	7,487	7,088	6,496	7,201	6,828	6,723	8,055	10,400	4,578
September	.....	9,256	7,433	7,529	5,950	6,277	6,867	6,930	8,561	9,551	4,826
October	.....	9,852	8,267	8,223	6,812	6,782	6,877	6,686	9,609	10,799	7,027
November	.....	9,735	7,269	6,741	6,289	6,256	6,755	6,413	7,873	8,485	7,120
December	.....	11,981	8,915	8,274	6,913	6,780	7,857	7,421	10,126	9,994	8,350
Total	.....	117,164	102,545	92,819	83,649	92,925	85,491	96,101	112,638	132,916	.....

Failures by Divisions of Industry—June and 6 Months 1955, 1954 and 1953

	Number of Failures						Current Liabilities in Thousands of Dollars					
	Month of June			Six Months			Month of June			Six Months		
Mining & Manufacturing:	1955	1954	1953	1955	1954	1953	1955	1954	1953	1955	1954	1953
Mining-Coal, Oil, Miscellaneous	7	5	4	33	32	21	404	601	53	2,820	6,319	943
Food & Kindred Products	24	16	16	87	90	81	2,637	1,519	1,111	7,824	10,260	8,374
Textile Mill Products & Apparel	43	52	42	250	297	206	2,190	4,952	2,928	12,476	17,417	12,721
Lumber & Lumber Products	32	35	18	163	176	119	1,275	1,246	611	7,076	8,786	6,225
Paper, Printing & Publishing	5	6	11	53	67	60	116	206	4,413	2,359	6,371	8,744
Chemicals & Allied Products	5	8	5	26	43	33	856	1,756	166	2,403	3,381	4,237
Leather & Leather Products	5	15	8	43	56	50	363	773	268	2,420	3,150	4,042
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	5	6	3	26	32	20	119	133	48	1,273	1,006	835
Iron, Steel & Products	7	9	1	71	61	25	1,909	364	7	8,719	7,167	3,898
Machinery	27	29	8	150	150	69	1,627	4,907	590	22,955	27,309	7,904
Transportation Equipment	2	7	4	24	30	21	66	497	265	2,365	3,565	1,949
Miscellaneous	38	20	25	204	171	139	2,326	1,500	719	15,423	9,745	5,645
Total Mining & Manufacturing	200	208	145	1,130	1,205	844	13,888	18,454	11,179	88,113	104,476	65,517
Wholesale Trade:												
Food & Farm Products	14	22	27	142	144	128	967	1,015	1,077	6,374	6,513	6,311
Apparel	2	2	5	32	21	18	105	110	148	1,058	517	542
Dry Goods	5	7	4	23	37	17	130	582	310	824	1,805	882
Lumber, Bldg. Mtls., Hardware	11	8	3	67	52	40	517	600	291	3,653	2,807	4,206
Chemicals & Drugs	2	4	4	17	24	17	131	33	184	492	552	650
Motor Vehicles & Auto Equipment	8	6	6	36	26	22	156	159	340	849	799	742
Miscellaneous	37	40	31	279	247	205	1,248	2,379	1,427	10,400	13,851	10,488
Total Wholesale Trade	79	89	80	596	551	447	3,254	4,878	3,777	23,650	26,844	23,821
Retail Trade:												
Food & Liquor	84	74	84	539	512	443	1,790	1,198	1,296	9,116	7,334	7,038
General Merchandise	13	8	11	95	96	77	698	98	173	3,576	4,361	1,779
Apparel & Accessories	75	66	60	463	459	319	1,212	1,396	2,210	8,518	9,381	9,034
Furniture, Home Furnishings	68	84	63	427	519	330	1,538	2,628	1,995	12,218	28,882	11,954
Lumber, Bldg. Mtls., Hardware	24	29	29	160	166	108	559	608	1,516	4,353	4,695	3,838
Automotive Group	48	45	46	252	301	240	1,051	3,156	1,326	5,682	11,197	6,429
Eating & Drinking Places	69	83	70	504	489	372	1,759	1,382	1,249	11,118	9,115	8,581
Drug Stores	10	19	15	70	86	59	199	373	754	1,607	1,676	2,084
Miscellaneous	55	47	41	307	272	202	758	883	1,945	5,562	5,286	4,704
Total Retail Trade	446	455	419	2,817	2,900	2,150	9,564	11,722	12,464	61,750	81,927	55,441
Construction:												
General Building Contractors	35	50	38	209	233	186	1,780	1,941	1,407	20,414	12,273	8,549
Building Sub-Contractors	71	78	54	404	406	291	2,635	2,420	1,322	14,767	12,392	7,976
Other Contractors	8	4	7	36	34	27	287	153	471	1,992	1,718	2,553
Total Construction	114	132	99	649	673	504	4,702	4,514	3,200	37,173	26,383	19,078
Commercial Services:												
Passenger & Freight Transportation	21	36	25	123	159	116	753	957	620	6,998	8,622	4,329
Miscellaneous Public Services	5	4	2	13	22	12	2,994	339	50	3,177	1,197	1,898
Hotels	2	2	1	20	17	11	817	17	28	3,192	1,300	676
Cleaning, Dyeing & Repairing	10	14	5	53	61	37	91	211	142	757	1,024	593
Laundries	2	3	5	27	14	14	15	57	144	769	234	491
Undertakers	1	..	..	3	1	2	188	..	..	262	10	70
Other Personal Services	8	7	8	38	27	22	72	71	88	368	395	310
Business & Repair Services	26	15	28	157	148	125	329	393	687	2,277	4,853	2,128
Total Commercial Service	75	81	74	434	449	339	5,259	2,045	1,759	17,800	17,635	10,495
TOTAL UNITED STATES	914	965	817	5,626	5,778	4,284	36,667	41,613	32,379	228,486	257,265	174,352

Failures in Large Cities—June and 6 Months 1955, 1954 and 1953

	Number of Failures						Current Liabilities in Thousands of Dollars					
	Month of June			Six Months			Month of June			Six Months		
Cities (1940 Population Ranking)	1955	1954	1953	1955	1954	1953	1955	1954	1953	1955	1954	1953
New York, N. Y.	166	178	162	1,091	1,239	1,011	4,390	5,567	9,000	39,244	48,987	46,901
Chicago, Ills.	20	27	28	149	174	120	1,506	1,403	1,536	6,383	24,178	7,228
Philadelphia, Pa.	19	26	16	114	105	95	962	1,210	689	4,086	4,178	3,084
Detroit, Mich.	5	7	8	51	37	30	200	151	279	5,797	1,698	906
Los Angeles, Cal.	28	42	50	192	254	204	1,218	2,661	1,326	6,246	8,593	7,272
Cleveland, Ohio	8	7	10	41	50	29	287	158	162	1,658	2,007	1,240
Baltimore, Md.	6	7	7	66	72	36	151	95	166	2,286	1,527	1,646
St. Louis, Mo.	1	..	2	14	6	5	53	..	22	202	190	998
Boston, Mass.	19	4	3	82	49	47	1,178	139	65	3,206	1,796	1,564
Pittsburgh, Pa.	6	8	5	29	36	22	115	132	274	1,824	1,681	3,152
Washington, D. C.	5	2	2	23	32	13	115	130	41	6,538	3,804	409
San Francisco, Cal.	11	15	6	97	85	67	454	1,067	111	3,806	3,727	1,471
Milwaukee, Wisc.	12	11	6	75	38	35	314	385	266	1,773	1,045	842
Buffalo, N. Y.	9	3	4	34	29	27	96	172	112	1,542	887	1,649
New Orleans, La.	2	2	1	17	10	14	19	90	6	1,255	379	267
Minneapolis, Minn.	6	2	4	24	25	18	406	423	139	894	1,649	666
Cincinnati, Ohio	2	4	1	14	21	11	19	397	2	522	1,192	630
Newark, N. J.	9	7	8	48	44	35	180	280	423	2,629	1,160	1,678
Kansas City, Mo.	..	2	2	5	19	10	..	22	35	275	799	344
Indianapolis, Ind.	..	8	..	10	19	4	..	136	..	305	262	74
Houston, Texas	..	3	3	14	20	17	..	63	102	603	1,256	1,910
Seattle, Wash.	3	6	5	36	29	29	70	104	181	895	620	1,030
Rochester, N. Y.	7	4	5	27	20	25	89	118	72	373	434	1,110
Louisville, Ky.	..	1	6	4	4	11	..	30	253	267	255	422
Denver, Col.	2	3	1	25	22	4	17	72	35	881	953	230
Total 25 Cities	346	379	345	2,282	2,439	1,919	11,839	15,005	15,297	93,490	113,257	86,723
Balance of Country	568	586	472	3,344	3,339	2,365	24,828	26,608	17,082	134,996	144,008	87,629
Total United States	914	965	817	5,626	5,778	4,284	36,667	41,613	32,379	228,486	257,265	174,352

United States Failures by States—June and 6 Months 1955, 1954 and 1953

	Number of Failures						Current Liabilities in Thousands of Dollars					
	Month of June			Six Months			Month of June			Six Months		
	1955	1954	1953	1955	1954	1953	1955	1954	1953	1955	1954	1953
New England:												
Maine	5	4	5	23	24	21	298	71	241	861	955	1,946
New Hampshire	..	1	3	17	11	11	..	22	31	813	238	240
Vermont	..	2	..	5	4	2	..	32	..	184	42	56
Massachusetts	42	16	17	219	175	128	2,601	416	273	9,237	7,588	4,711
Connecticut	10	8	25	91	79	103	273	148	556	2,646	3,890	3,721
Rhode Island	9	13	8	51	56	45	209	373	182	2,992	1,635	1,366
Total New England	66	44	58	406	349	310	3,381	1,062	1,283	16,733	14,348	12,040
Middle Atlantic:												
New York	222	226	205	1,408	1,526	1,262	6,348	7,713	10,528	51,185	57,735	57,098
New Jersey	41	31	49	226	224	196	2,592	1,243	2,735	13,669	12,742	9,145
Pennsylvania	49	62	33	308	265	*192	1,541	2,092	3,536	12,209	16,603	10,567
Total Middle Atlantic	312	319	287	1,942	2,015	1,650	10,481	11,048	16,799	77,063	87,080	76,810
East North Central:												
Ohio	38	35	25	188	205	116	1,476	1,460	654	6,564	8,535	3,888
Indiana	5	13	11	52	76	33	103	196	315	2,753	2,307	885
Illinois	39	44	31	224	264	171	2,079	2,144	1,651	8,571	28,306	8,409
Michigan	20	18	14	115	99	52	603	765	424	8,198	4,346	1,850
Wisconsin	33	19	18	182	99	98	844	649	908	4,643	3,269	3,299
Total East North Central	135	129	99	761	743	470	5,105	5,214	3,952	30,729	46,763	18,331
West North Central:												
Minnesota	11	6	6	59	59	36	538	553	293	4,418	3,211	1,258
Iowa	6	8	2	24	25	33	302	159	35	1,031	1,604	2,165
Missouri	3	4	7	37	47	29	133	38	90	1,129	1,550	2,050
North Dakota	1	..	1	1	..	3	21	..	15	21	..	141
South Dakota	1	..	..	4	1	3	31	..	..	97	18	25
Nebraska	1	1	1	9	19	8	8	75	90	1,897	791	519
Kansas	5	4	2	25	26	14	136	109	105	793	675	356
Total West North Central	28	21	19	159	177	126	1,169	934	628	9,386	7,849	6,534
South Atlantic:												
Maryland	7	13	11	78	100	51	156	280	482	2,731	2,092	2,181
Delaware	2	..	1	4	1	3	105	..	3	124	18	23
District of Columbia	5	2	2	23	32	13	115	130	40	6,537	3,803	408
Virginia	8	13	4	34	62	25	234	365	48	1,251	2,485	602
West Virginia	8	4	6	52	42	25	219	178	153	1,751	1,220	909
North Carolina	4	6	5	28	45	23	237	2,176	372	1,748	3,636	1,003
South Carolina	5	11	..	28	30	7	463	3,889	..	1,685	4,681	530
Georgia	13	13	2	71	83	63	651	762	10	2,948	2,970	2,018
Florida	21	20	16	124	137	92	1,474	779	415	6,948	5,075	3,723
Total South Atlantic	73	82	47	442	532	302	3,654	8,559	1,523	25,723	25,980	11,397
East South Central:												
Kentucky	2	5	10	18	19	25	244	259	350	768	617	756
Tennessee	8	11	4	65	46	42	125	488	80	6,818	1,095	2,215
Alabama	5	9	14	36	39	41	2,679	147	256	1,865	853	1,320
Mississippi	9	7	3	36	41	22	186	264	44	914	1,855	998
Total East South Central	24	32	31	155	145	130	3,234	1,158	730	12,365	4,420	5,289
West South Central:												
Arkansas	2	2	2	20	17	17	20	212	49	595	484	847
Oklahoma	4	2	1	26	25	14	88	47	44	791	809	579
Louisiana	6	11	4	42	54	39	104	380	89	1,829	2,875	823
Texas	18	29	13	89	131	80	689	2,424	452	3,818	8,766	6,831
Total West South Central	30	44	20	177	227	150	901	3,063	634	7,033	12,934	9,080
Mountain:												
Montana	3	2	1	10	5	2	41	59	20	185	74	28
Idaho	..	..	3	3	11	12	..	..	81	145	351	227
Wyoming	..	..	1	7	1	4	..	..	19	264	37	112
Colorado	5	4	1	30	30	7	795	100	35	1,705	1,281	294
New Mexico	2	3	2	7	14	8	111	82	37	326	495	675
Arizona	11	13	9	56	53	31	412	151	194	1,424	1,120	798
Utah	1	4	3	19	25	21	23	100	74	1,327	943	469
Nevada	2	3	2	17	15	6	23	40	6	324	742	80
Total Mountain	24	29	22	149	154	91	1,405	532	466	5,700	5,043	2,683
Pacific:												
Washington	13	16	14	104	82	63	406	225	399	3,087	2,097	1,990
Oregon	11	14	4	56	69	27	310	316	67	1,330	3,703	822
California	198	235	216	1,275	1,285	965	6,621	9,502	5,898	39,337	47,048	29,376
Total Pacific	222	265	234	1,435	1,436	1,055	7,337	10,043	6,364	43,754	52,848	32,188
Total United States	914	965	817	5,626	5,778	4,284	36,667	41,613	32,379	228,486	257,265	174,352

Canadian Failures by Provinces—June and 6 Months 1955, 1954 and 1953

	Number of Failures						Current Liabilities in Thousands of Dollars					
	Month of June			Six Months			Month of June			Six Months		
Canada:	1955	1954	1953	1955	1954	1953	1955	1954	1953	1955	1954	1953
Newfoundland	1	..	1	7	2	7	176	..	38	372	56	189
Prince Edward Island	..	1	..	2	1	..	..	27	..	39	27	..
Nova Scotia	..	2	1	4	13	4	..	21	150	426	341	318
New Brunswick	3	2	1	8	11	4	439	55	12	541	254	38
Quebec	47	68	55	442	452	288	693	1,965	1,882	10,094	15,768	6,929
Ontario	31	32	25	208	187	100	627	1,438	1,365	6,298	11,243	3,251
Manitoba	2	4	7	26	20	25	34	50	207	1,198	1,407	495
Saskatchewan	2	..	..	14	6	3	81	..	..	812	175	61
Alberta	1	1	2	6	20	15	28	27	56	220	1,262	723
British Columbia	4	6	4	42	39	35	94	906	135	938	2,226	1,323
Total Canada	91	116	96	759	751	481	2,172	4,489	3,845	20,938	32,759	13,327

Failures by Industrial Groups and Size of Liabilities—June and 6 Months 1955 and 1954

(Liabilities in thousands of dollars)

	JUNE 1955				SIX MONTHS 1955				SIX MONTHS 1954			
	Number	Per Cent	Current Liab.	Total Liab.	Number	Per Cent	Current Liab.	Total Liab.	Number	Per Cent	Current Liab.	Total Liab.
MANUFACTURING	200	100.0	13,888	14,392	1,130	100.0	88,113	89,399	1,205	100.0	104,476	105,290
Under $5,000	20	10.0	57	57	90	8.0	266	266	89	7.4	256	256
$5,000 to $25,000	66	33.0	838	838	465	41.1	5,831	5,831	485	40.2	6,043	6,043
$25,000 to $100,000	80	40.0	3,881	3,881	398	35.2	19,775	19,775	418	34.7	20,213	20,213
$100,000 to $1,000,000	34	17.0	9,112	9,616	166	14.7	40,274	41,288	199	16.5	46,155	46,969
$1,000,000 and Over	..	..	..	..	11	1.0	21,967	22,239	14	1.2	31,809	31,809
WHOLESALE TRADE	79	100.0	3,254	3,254	596	100.0	23,650	23,730	551	100.0	26,844	27,099
Under $5,000	6	7.6	20	20	49	8.2	146	146	50	9.1	154	154
$5,000 to $25,000	39	49.4	539	539	294	49.4	4,010	4,010	239	43.4	3,219	3,219
$25,000 to $100,000	24	30.4	1,241	1,241	204	34.2	9,435	9,435	201	36.5	9,888	9,888
$100,000 to $1,000,000	10	12.6	1,454	1,454	48	8.0	9,044	9,124	61	11.0	13,583	13,838
$1,000,000 and Over	..	..	..	..	1	0.2	1,015	1,015	..	..	..	..
RETAIL TRADE	446	100.0	9,564	9,564	2,817	100.0	61,750	62,556	2,900	100.0	81,927	82,721
Under $5,000	114	25.6	322	322	584	20.7	1,676	1,676	521	18.0	1,572	1,572
$5,000 to $25,000	228	51.1	2,807	2,807	1,568	55.7	18,810	18,810	1,674	57.7	20,097	20,097
$25,000 to $100,000	88	19.7	3,999	3,999	572	20.3	25,097	25,097	605	20.9	26,679	26,679
$100,000 to $1,000,000	16	3.6	2,436	2,436	93	3.3	16,167	16,973	97	3.3	17,456	18,250
$1,000,000 and Over	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	0.1	16,123	16,123
CONSTRUCTION	114	100.0	4,702	4,702	649	100.0	37,173	37,308	673	100.0	26,383	26,426
Under $5,000	8	7.0	29	29	71	10.9	224	224	68	10.1	216	216
$5,000 to $25,000	54	47.4	708	708	294	45.3	4,005	4,005	308	45.8	3,982	3,982
$25,000 to $100,000	37	32.4	1,681	1,681	209	32.2	9,936	9,936	240	35.6	11,354	11,354
$100,000 to $1,000,000	15	13.2	2,284	2,284	71	11.0	12,955	13,090	57	8.5	10,831	10,874
$1,000,000 and Over	..	..	..	..	4	0.6	10,053	10,053	..	..	..	..
COMMERCIAL SERVICE	75	100.0	5,259	5,259	434	100.0	17,800	17,800	449	100.0	17,635	17,868
Under $5,000	22	29.4	66	66	100	23.0	282	282	85	18.9	247	247
$5,000 to $25,000	33	44.0	385	385	210	48.4	2,574	2,574	230	51.2	2,820	2,820
$25,000 to $100,000	12	16.0	447	447	95	21.9	4,340	4,340	105	23.4	4,891	4,891
$100,000 to $1,000,000	7	9.3	1,861	1,861	27	6.2	7,048	7,048	27	6.0	7,327	7,560
$1,000,000 and Over	1	1.3	2,500	2,500	2	0.5	3,556	3,556	2	0.5	2,350	2,350
TOTAL UNITED STATES	914	100.0	36,667	37,171	5,626	100.0	228,486	230,793	5,778	100.0	257,265	259,409
Under $5,000	170	18.6	494	494	894	15.9	2,594	2,594	813	14.1	2,445	2,445
$5,000 to $25,000	420	45.9	5,277	5,277	2,831	50.3	35,230	35,230	2,936	50.8	36,161	36,161
$25,000 to $100,000	241	26.4	11,249	11,249	1,478	26.3	68,583	68,583	1,569	27.2	73,025	73,025
$100,000 to $1,000,000	82	9.0	17,147	17,651	405	7.2	85,488	87,523	441	7.6	95,352	97,491
$1,000,000 and Over	1	0.1	2,500	2,500	18	0.3	36,591	36,863	19	0.3	50,282	50,282

Failures by Federal Reserve Districts by Divisions of Industry— June 1955

(Liabilities in thousands of dollars)

Districts	Manufacturing		Wholesale Trade		Retail Trade		Construction		Commercial Service		Total United States	
	No.	Current Liab.	No.	Current Liab.	No.	Current Liab.	No.	Current Liab.	No.	Current Liab.	No.	Current Liab.
Boston (1)	14	891	8	591	30	859	8	917	3	61	63	3,319
New York (2)	78	4,454	25	662	125	2,162	15	333	19	227	262	7,838
Philadelphia (3)	11	1,294	3	201	18	193	2	35	4	807	38	2,530
Cleveland (4)	11	696	5	239	29	676	7	303	5	86	57	2,000
Richmond (5)	7	614	3	134	20	398	5	202	2	75	37	1,423
Atlanta (6)	5	1,003	4	168	32	685	4	415	5	2,711	50	4,982
Chicago (7)	22	1,617	10	438	48	1,183	15	432	6	230	101	3,900
St. Louis (8)	1	53	..	..	10	145	2	47	..	..	13	245
Minneapolis (9)	3	381	3	82	11	175	1	24	..	..	18	662
Kansas City (10)	5	488	2	57	7	152	2	51	2	460	18	1,208
Dallas (11)	5	117	3	269	9	142	8	438	3	103	28	1,069
San Francisco (12)	38	2,280	13	413	107	2,794	45	1,505	26	499	229	7,491
Total United States	200	13,888	79	3,254	446	9,564	114	4,702	75	5,259	914	36,667

Failures by Federal Reserve Districts by Divisions of Industry— 6 Months 1955

(Liabilities in thousands of dollars)

Districts	Manufacturing		Wholesale Trade		Retail Trade		Construction		Commercial Service		Total United States	
	No.	Current Liab.	No.	Current Liab.	No.	Current Liab.	No.	Current Liab.	No.	Current Liab.	No.	Current Liab.
Boston (1)	75	5,739	37	1,595	191	4,448	55	3,245	19	1,005	377	16,032
New York (2)	438	36,138	179	5,557	843	14,899	89	3,562	89	3,504	1,638	63,720
Philadelphia (3)	60	4,507	35	1,041	126	2,860	23	853	12	941	256	10,202
Cleveland (4)	50	4,266	20	798	138	3,442	47	2,066	26	492	281	11,064
Richmond (5)	41	3,397	20	1,235	140	3,637	27	6,505	13	822	241	15,596
Atlanta (6)	29	3,151	39	2,312	178	4,699	54	2,705	19	3,941	319	16,808
Chicago (7)	100	7,070	70	2,958	297	7,659	69	4,578	34	695	563	22,960
St. Louis (8)	16	5,116	19	1,545	67	2,139	6	318	6	61	114	9,179
Minneapolis (9)	11	1,378	7	217	56	965	16	2,795	2	53	92	5,408
Kansas City (10)	21	3,003	14	793	60	1,518	16	533	7	706	118	6,553
Dallas (11)	13	594	17	619	53	1,610	21	1,362	7	233	111	4,418
San Francisco (12)	276	13,754	139	4,980	668	13,874	233	8,651	200	5,287	1,516	46,546
Total United States	1,130	88,113	596	23,650	2,817	61,750	649	37,173	434	17,800	5,626	228,486

Failures by Industrial Groups—Monthly—1953 to Date

1953	Total Number	Mining & Mfg.	% of Total	Wholesale Trade	% of Total	Retail Trade	% of Total	Con-struction	% of Total	Commercial Service	% of Total
January	647	130	20.0	66	10.2	334	51.6	78	12.0	39	6.2
February	691	132	19.1	76	11.0	348	50.4	86	12.4	49	7.1
March	739	154	20.8	76	10.3	361	48.9	85	11.5	63	8.5
April	693	140	20.2	75	10.8	344	49.7	86	12.4	48	6.9
May	697	143	20.5	74	10.6	344	49.4	70	10.0	66	9.5
June	817	145	17.7	80	9.8	419	51.3	99	12.1	74	9.1
July	724	164	22.7	73	10.1	380	52.5	64	8.8	43	5.9
August	700	148	21.2	71	10.1	340	48.6	92	13.1	49	7.0
September	686	145	21.1	85	12.4	336	49.0	89	13.0	31	4.5
October	840	188	22.4	84	10.0	404	48.1	89	10.6	75	8.9
November	815	175	21.5	88	10.8	389	47.7	97	11.9	66	8.1
December	813	193	23.7	85	10.5	382	47.0	89	10.9	64	7.9
Total Year	8,862	1,857	21.0	933	10.5	4,381	49.4	1,024	11.6	667	7.5
1954											
January	867	192	22.2	79	9.1	450	51.9	86	9.9	60	6.9
February	926	207	22.3	87	9.4	449	48.5	109	11.8	74	8.0
March	1,102	193	17.9	123	11.2	551	50.0	143	13.0	87	7.9
April	975	200	20.5	82	8.4	535	54.9	92	9.4	66	6.8
May	943	200	21.2	91	9.6	460	48.8	111	11.8	81	8.6
June	965	208	21.6	89	9.2	455	47.1	132	13.7	81	8.4
July	856	165	19.3	99	11.6	417	48.7	95	11.1	80	9.3
August	912	187	20.5	94	10.3	451	49.4	100	11.0	80	8.8
September	819	153	18.7	113	13.8	406	49.6	88	10.7	59	7.2
October	871	189	21.7	91	10.5	414	47.5	109	12.5	68	7.8
November	933	179	19.2	86	9.2	490	52.5	110	11.8	68	7.3
December	917	204	22.2	98	10.7	413	45.0	130	14.2	72	7.9
Total Year	11,086	2,282	20.6	1,132	10.2	5,491	49.5	1,305	11.8	876	7.9
1955											
January	939	195	20.8	114	12.1	456	48.5	87	9.3	87	9.3
February	877	188	21.4	104	11.9	412	47.0	113	12.9	60	6.8
March	1,038	225	21.7	119	11.5	520	50.1	108	10.4	66	6.3
April	903	154	17.1	93	10.3	484	53.6	106	11.7	66	7.3
May	955	168	17.6	87	9.1	499	52.2	121	12.7	80	8.4
June	914	200	21.9	79	8.6	448	48.8	114	12.5	75	8.2
July	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
August	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
September	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
October	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
November	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
December	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total Year	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

Failures by Size of Liabilities—Monthly—1953 to Date

1953	Total Number	Under $5,000	% of Total	$5,000 to $25,000	% of Total	$25,000 to $100,000	% of Total	$100,000 to $1,000,000	% of Total	$1,000,000 and Over	% of Total
January	647	102	15.8	332	51.3	170	26.3	43	6.6	..	..
February	691	124	18.0	349	50.5	159	23.0	56	8.1	3	0.4
March	739	118	16.0	371	50.2	185	25.0	62	8.4	3	0.4
April	693	104	15.0	351	50.6	173	25.0	65	9.4	..	..
May	697	129	18.5	323	46.3	184	26.4	57	8.2	4	0.6
June	817	139	17.0	395	48.3	233	28.5	47	5.8	3	0.4
July	724	113	15.6	332	45.9	206	28.5	68	9.3	5	0.7
August	700	102	14.6	350	50.0	187	26.7	58	8.3	3	0.4
September	686	90	13.1	321	46.8	199	29.0	75	10.9	1	0.2
October	840	132	15.7	412	49.1	222	26.4	68	8.1	6	0.7
November	815	112	13.7	405	49.7	228	28.0	67	8.2	3	0.4
December	813	118	14.5	376	46.2	229	28.2	82	10.1	8	1.0
Total Year	8,862	1,383	15.6	4,317	48.7	2,375	26.8	748	8.5	39	0.4
1954											
January	867	134	15.5	427	49.2	249	28.7	55	6.3	2	0.3
February	926	119	12.8	458	49.5	271	29.3	73	7.9	5	0.5
March	1,102	144	13.1	558	50.6	296	26.9	102	9.2	2	0.2
April	975	148	15.2	514	52.7	242	24.8	67	6.9	4	0.4
May	943	149	15.8	482	51.1	243	25.8	66	7.0	3	0.3
June	965	119	12.3	497	51.5	268	27.8	78	8.1	3	0.3
July	856	123	14.4	457	53.4	208	24.3	68	7.9	..	..
August	912	138	15.1	472	51.8	232	25.4	70	7.7	..	..
September	819	121	14.8	400	48.8	231	28.2	63	7.7	4	0.5
October	871	150	17.2	447	51.3	220	25.3	53	6.1	1	0.1
November	933	143	15.3	491	52.6	236	25.3	60	6.5	3	0.3
December	917	152	16.6	437	47.6	250	27.3	74	8.1	4	0.4
Total Year	11,086	1,640	14.8	5,640	50.8	2,946	26.6	829	7.5	31	0.3
1955											
January	939	133	14.2	484	51.5	256	27.3	62	6.6	4	0.4
February	877	108	12.3	453	51.7	242	27.6	70	8.0	4	0.4
March	1,038	161	15.5	521	50.2	270	26.0	83	8.0	3	0.3
April	903	159	17.6	469	52.0	216	23.9	56	6.2	3	0.3
May	955	163	17.1	484	50.7	253	26.5	52	5.4	3	0.3
June	914	170	18.6	420	45.9	241	26.4	82	9.0	1	0.1
July	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
August	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
September	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
October	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
November	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
December	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total Year	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

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MINING & MANUFACTURING	Number of Failures								Current Liabilities In Thousands of Dollars							
	1954				1955				1954				1955			
Mining:*	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV
Coal	6	13	..	2	8	7			93	4,576	..	98	818	744		
Crude Petroleum, Natural Gas	5	2	3	2	3	3			784	332	281	69	390	303		
Miscellaneous Mines & Quarries	4	2	1	2	5	7			362	172	1,169	71	356	209		
Total*	15	17	4	6	16	17			1,239	5,080	1,450	238	1,564	1,256		
Food & Kindred Products:																
Bakery Products	13	11	12	14	10	8			1,825	3,939	1,559	448	357	734		
Beverages - Alcoholic	1	1	2	2	1	2			274	100	375	122	4	1,030		
Beverages - Non-alcoholic	6	8	1	7	4	6			198	406	9	496	280	152		
Confectionery	3	4	7	2	5	4			98	165	350	90	190	314		
Dairy Products	5	3	2	10	9	6			80	130	66	377	186	335		
Canning & Preserving	6	7	8	4	5	4			777	1,178	718	398	888	239		
Meat Products	4	4	3	4	8	5			221	90	433	136	1,065	486		
Grain - Mill Products	4	2	3	1	1	..			236	165	17	50	1,000	..		
Miscellaneous	3	5	3	4	4	5			35	343	77	108	97	467		
Total	45	45	41	48	47	40			3,744	6,516	3,604	2,225	4,067	3,757		
Textile Mill Products & Apparel:																
Textile Mill Products	24	24	18	15	12	10			2,345	2,718	1,060	695	1,825	354		
Knit Goods	5	4	9	9	10	5			288	2,181	667	297	696	250		
Men's & Boy's Clo. & Furnishings	12	16	11	11	14	9			498	1,238	798	721	1,433	525		
Women's & Children's Clo. & Acc'ts	73	72	55	64	64	62			2,356	2,715	1,612	3,551	2,740	2,556		
Miscellaneous Apparel	35	13	12	27	28	21			1,936	208	159	1,013	663	919		
Misc. Textile Products	6	13	6	9	12	3			262	672	183	509	346	169		
Total	155	142	111	135	140	110			7,685	9,732	4,479	6,786	7,703	4,773		
Lumber & Mill Products.																
Lumber and Basic Products	23	24	18	38	17	36			1,606	1,195	864	2,860	525	994		
Furniture	44	59	44	36	40	47			1,942	2,353	1,937	1,684	2,639	2,090		
Other Finished Products	10	16	9	15	12	11			175	1,515	372	2,081	320	508		
Total	77	99	71	89	69	94			3,723	5,063	3,173	6,625	3,484	3,592		
Paper, Printing & Publishing:																
Paper & Allied Products	8	8	3	8	7	1			417	3,895	476	183	877	34		
Printing & Publishing	31	20	28	23	25	20			1,218	841	1,319	3,925	1,067	381		
Total	39	28	31	31	32	21			1,635	4,736	1,795	4,108	1,944	415		
Chemicals & Allied Products:																
Chemicals & Allied Products	9	8	9	5	7	10			475	1,152	291	107	719	1,325		
Drug, Toilet & H'sehold Preparations	8	8	7	7	4	2			471	654	199	704	113	144		
Paints & Varnishes	4	6	2	2	2	1			216	413	910	42	72	30		
Total	21	22	18	14	13	13			1,162	2,219	1,400	853	904	1,499		
Leather & Leather Products:																
Leather	..	1	1	..	1	..			..	37	446	..	71	..		
Footwear	10	9	9	13	9	8			1,290	757	1,567	634	390	960		
Other Leather Products	13	23	12	12	11	14			196	870	344	727	396	603		
Total	23	33	22	25	21	22			1,486	1,664	2,357	1,361	857	1,563		
Stone, Clay & Glass Products:																
Stone Products	5	10	..	5	6	4			328	251	..	280	800	75		
Clay Products	2	5	3	7	2	7			85	113	79	648	52	124		
Glass Products	2	4	4	3	1	5			46	33	55	16	9	106		
Miscellaneous	1	3	3	3	1	..			60	90	105	43	107	..		
Total	10	22	10	18	10	16			519	487	239	987	968	305		
Iron & Steel Products:																
Iron & Steel Works	4	2	1	1	3	1			553	227	321	10	910	20		
Iron & Steel Products	34	21	25	27	43	24			4,205	2,182	1,465	1,474	5,305	2,484		
Total	38	23	26	28	46	25			4,758	2,409	1,786	1,484	6,215	2,504		
Machinery:																
Electrical Machinery	21	24	20	22	24	25			9,240	5,066	1,834	674	7,469	8,650		
Other Machinery	43	62	55	54	59	42			6,567	6,436	5,535	2,522	3,706	3,130		
Total	64	86	75	76	83	67			15,807	11,502	7,369	3,196	11,175	11,780		
Transportation Equipment:																
Automobiles & Equipment	5	12	8	6	6	..			252	626	1,081	227	108	..		
Other Transportation Equipment	5	8	2	5	11	7			1,483	1,204	22	1,043	1,942	315		
Total	10	20	10	11	17	5			1,735	1,830	1,103	1,270	2,050	315		
Misc. Manufacturing Industries:																
Non-ferrous Metals & Products	23	27	24	27	39	27			2,122	796	621	1,250	1,495	1,343		
Petroleum, Coal & Gas Products	1	..	..	1	2	..			3	..	..	40	500	..		
Miscellaneous Industries	76	44	62	63	73	63			4,215	2,609	4,260	2,749	4,553	7,532		
Total	100	71	86	91	114	90			6,340	3,405	4,881	4,039	6,548	8,875		
Total Mining & Manufacturing	597	608	505	572	608	522			49,833	54,643	33,636	33,172	47.479	40,634		

(*) Subtract this group to obtain true Manufacturing total.

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RETAIL TRADE	Number of Failures								Current Liabilities in Thousands of Dollars							
	1954				1955				1954				1955			
Food & Liquor:	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV
Bakeries	39	30	30	28	27	42			521	604	315	635	466	717		
Confectionery & Nut Stores	17	6	9	6	11	9			392	35	103	24	161	43		
Dairy Products Stores	5	3	5	10	4	6			31	22	105	205	231	215		
Delicatessen Stores	12	18	12	14	13	18			173	203	127	254	204	181		
Grocery Stores	52	45	49	52	53	55			422	447	474	535	436	740		
Grocery and Meat Stores	84	107	97	95	80	96			1,556	1,600	1,858	1,835	1,902	1,834		
Meat and Fish Markets	24	22	21	28	24	51			258	188	216	295	403	825		
Fruit and Vegetable Markets	14	8	2	16	8	17			288	64	17	199	228	247		
Liquor Stores	5	11	1	10	4	9			77	198	3	161	39	90		
All Other Food Stores	5	5	2	5	5	7			111	144	28	82	35	119		
Total	257	255	228	264	229	310			3,829	3,505	3,246	4,225	4,105	5,011		
General Merchandise:																
Department Stores	4	2	2	..	1	2			780	2,086	632	..	450	455		
Variety Stores	15	14	15	13	17	12			271	173	73	127	259	947		
Dry Goods Stores	13	11	14	16	15	13			208	108	642	263	240	410		
General Merchandise Stores	15	8	8	12	13	11			305	180	206	338	226	381		
Country General Stores	6	8	6	10	8	3			104	146	226	184	186	822		
Total	53	43	45	51	54	41			1,668	2,693	1,779	912	1,361	2,215		
Apparel & Accessories:																
Family Clothing Stores	13	19	10	12	16	9			154	454	211	214	304	173		
Men's & Boys' Clo. & Furnishings Stores	48	57	43	48	61	47			1,162	1,676	936	912	1,379	808		
Women's Ready-to-wear Stores	84	77	50	61	79	83			1,388	1,535	853	801	1,332	1,398		
Women's Accessory Stores	19	19	11	20	24	21			321	428	64	167	328	298		
Shoe Stores	23	27	27	20	30	24			417	405	411	363	551	413		
Miscellaneous Apparel Stores	42	31	29	18	41	28			1,105	336	333	507	973	561		
Total	229	230	170	179	251	212			4,547	4 834	2,808	2,964	4,867	3,651		
Furniture & Home Furnishings:																
Furniture Stores	81	71	76	62	71	71			2,870	2,308	2,519	2,293	2,439	2,139		
Home Furnishings & Equip. Stores	55	38	37	29	34	42			816	577	1,127	989	735	692		
Electrical Appliance Stores	128	146	99	84	107	102			17,604	4,707	4,549	3,060	3,758	2,455		
Total	264	255	212	175	212	215			21,290	7,592	8,195	6,342	6,932	5,286		
Lumber, Bldg. Mtls., Hardware:																
Lumber & Bldg. Mtl. Dealers	36	48	34	34	40	45			901	1,755	1,215	1,585	1,019	1,692		
Paint, Glass, Wall Paper Stores	13	15	9	12	14	16			212	223	119	150	208	124		
Hardware & Farm Impl. Dealers	23	31	22	34	22	23			806	798	689	1,391	600	710		
Total	72	94	65	80	76	84			1,919	2,776	2,023	3,126	1,827	2,526		
Automotive Group:																
Motor Vehicle Dealers	83	57	61	45	37	24			3,880	4,949	5,181	1,236	2,004	957		
Automobile Accessory Dealers	9	9	12	22	15	8			173	139	231	795	290	154		
Garages and Repair Shops	44	33	31	38	32	46			692	399	407	390	288	748		
Filling Stations	35	29	51	51	35	53			425	391	540	494	438	695		
Other Automotive Dealers	1	1	3	1	1	1			14	135	89	44	104	4		
Total	172	129	158	157	120	132			5,184	6,013	6,448	2,959	3,104	2,558		
Eating & Drinking Places-Total	227	262	248	248	252	252			4,295	4,820	5,087	4,481	4,852	6,266		
Drug Stores - Total	39	47	33	42	33	37			710	966	938	2,225	653	954		
Miscellaneous Retail Trade:																
Cigar Stores	8	6	8	10	8	5			65	44	83	1,911	68	147		
Fuel and Ice Dealers	2	4	..	2	7	9			21	33	..	83	147	173		
Florists	9	7	9	12	12	7			72	101	110	165	150	94		
Jewelry Stores	39	27	22	20	36	41			1,133	480	561	376	723	790		
Book, Stationery & News Dealers	9	11	10	8	12	11			123	148	209	91	251	137		
Farm & Garden Supply Stores	15	9	15	9	11	12			445	264	454	181	378	174		
All Other Retail Stores	55	71	51	60	75	61			1,135	1,222	785	779	1,109	1,221		
Total	137	135	115	121	161	146			2,994	2,292	2,202	3,586	2,826	2,736		
Total Retail Trade	1,450	1,450	1,274	1,317	1,388	1,429			46,436	35,491	32,726	30,820	30,547	31,203		

Dun's Failure Index

(Apparent Annual Number of Failures per 10,000 Enterprises)

	Unadjusted Index				Adjusted Index*			
	1955	1954	1953	1952	1955	1954	1953	1952
January	42.9	39.4	28.2	29.7	40.9	36.8	26.4	27.8
February	45.6	47.9	35.6	31.0	38.6	40.9	30.4	26.3
March	44.0	46.7	32.2	31.6	41.1	43.6	29.8	29.5
April	39.7	42.9	30.3	34.4	36.8	39.7	28.1	31.6
May	43.7	43.1	31.5	28.1	41.6	41.0	30.0	26.5
June	40.2	42.5	35.4	30.7	40.6	42.9	35.8	31.0
July	....	37.6	31.3	25.4	....	40.4	33.7	27.3
August	....	40.1	30.3	25.9	....	44.1	33.7	29.1
September	....	37.5	30.7	24.5	....	44.1	36.1	28.8
October	....	39.9	36.2	27.4	....	42.4	38.9	29.8
November	....	46.4	41.7	30.3	....	46.4	41.7	30.3
December	....	40.3	35.3	25.3	....	42.9	37.2	26.6
No. Average	42.7	42.0	33.2	28.7	....	....	....	....

(*) Adjusted for seasonal variation.

DEFINITIONS

BUSINESS FAILURES include those businesses that ceased operations following assignment or bankruptcy; ceased with loss to creditors after such actions as execution, foreclosure, or attachment; voluntarily withdrew leaving unpaid obligations; were involved in court actions such as receivership, reorganization, or arrangement; or voluntarily compromised with creditors out of court.

CURRENT LIABILITIES, as used in the Failure Record, have a special meaning; they include all accounts and notes payable and all obligations, whether in secured form or not, known to be held by banks, officers, affiliated companies, supplying companies, or the Government. They do not include long-term, publicly-held obligations. Offsetting assets are not taken into account.

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WHOLESALE TRADE	Number of Failures								Current Liabilities in Thousands of Dollars							
	1954				1955				1954				1955			
	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV
Food and Farm Products:																
Groceries & Food Specialties:																
Confectionery	9	5	4	4	4	1			237	165	52	92	94	15		
Groceries (full time)	6	5	2	3	3	4			379	528	309	58	32	137		
Meats and Provisions	7	10	8	10	13	11			393	428	836	348	256	437		
Fish and Sea Food	4	7	4	6	6	5			78	129	209	161	297	386		
Other Grocery Products	15	12	15	16	22	9			575	283	406	353	460	464		
Farm Products:																
Dairy and Poultry Products	9	11	15	15	9	10			351	745	833	1,063	405	513		
Fruits and Vegetables	14	13	21	19	22	10			566	757	917	948	977	548		
Farm Products-Raw Materials	3	3	3	4	4	2			77	371	297	490	524	184		
						4								336		
Beverages - Alcoholic	6	5	3	2	3	4			225	226	85	68	309	336		
Total Food and Farm Products	73	71	75	79	86	56			2,881	3,632	3,944	3,581	3,354	3,020		
Apparel	13	8	16	9	19	13			238	279	498	580	538	520		
Dry Goods	17	20	12	11	11	12			896	909	377	195	476	348		
Lumber, Bldg. Mtls., Hardware	29	23	32	29	37	30			1,562	1,245	1,122	1,090	1,599	2,054		
Chemicals and Drugs	12	12	8	15	10	7			373	179	84	698	225	267		
Motor Vehicles & Automotive Equip.	14	12	18	12	18	18			446	353	815	219	467	382		
Misc. Wholesale Products:																
Coal, Coke, Petro. Prod'ts	..	2	1	6	2	2			..	55	20	1,061	33	53		
Electrical Goods	12	18	14	16	13	11			831	1,573	1,594	705	535	200		
Furniture & House Furnishings	11	12	13	7	14	15			420	316	275	367	348	273		
Machinery Equip. & Supplies	36	36	49	35	42	31			789	1,357	1,765	1,680	3,616	879		
Paper and Its Products	9	4	7	7	11	8			894	86	158	235	262	251		
Tobacco and Its Products	3	2	7	2	4	..			212	513	484	1,858	365	..		
All Other	60	42	54	47	70	56			3,351	3,454	3,572	2,517	1,843	1,742		
Total Misc. Wholesale Products	131	116	145	120	156	123			6,497	7,354	7,868	8,423	7,002	3,398		
Total Wholesale Trade	289	262	306	275	337	259			12,893	13,951	14,708	14,786	13,661	9,989		
CONSTRUCTION																
General Building Contractors	118	115	104	119	99	110			7,330	4,943	8,363	9,121	12,729	7,685		
Building Sub-Contractors:																
Carpentering	8	6	4	9	12	11			82	81	28	106	195	351		
Painting and Decorating	13	25	27	29	19	21			241	392	440	337	1,500	768		
Heating and Plumbing	62	57	47	62	39	53			2,112	2,237	1,741	2,458	1,312	1,231		
Electrical	10	14	10	19	19	31			186	539	242	1,265	577	1,451		
All Other	109	102	85	95	97	102			3,417	3,105	1,753	2,945	3,352	4,030		
Total Building Sub-contractors	202	204	173	214	186	218			6,038	6,354	4,204	7,111	6,936	7,831		
Other Contractors	18	16	6	16	23	13			1,135	583	361	1,286	1,471	521		
Total Construction	338	335	283	349	308	341			14,503	11,880	12,928	17,518	21,126	16,037		
COMMERCIAL SERVICE																
Public Services:																
Transportation, Passenger & Freight	71	88	64	59	61	62			5,115	3,507	3,373	2,466	3,934	3,064		
Misc. Public Services	12	10	8	10	5	8			742	455	182	367	149	3,028		
Total Public Services	83	98	72	69	66	70			5,857	3,962	3,555	2,833	4,083	6,092		
Personal Services:																
Hotels	8	9	11	9	10	10			652	648	677	637	1,885	1,307		
Cleaning, Dying, Repairing	30	31	25	19	26	27			619	405	401	413	406	351		
Laundries	8	6	12	15	15	12			118	116	417	523	448	321		
Undertakers	..	1	..	4	2	1			..	10	..	22	74	188		
Other Personal Services	15	12	15	19	20	18			262	133	172	1,557	212	156		
Total Personal Services	61	59	63	66	73	68			1,651	1,312	1,667	3,152	3,025	2,323		
Business Services	37	34	42	30	29	32			2,991	894	1,250	1,141	602	467		
Repair Services (other than auto)	40	37	42	43	45	51			482	486	723	748	604	604		
Total Commercial Service	221	228	219	208	213	221			10,981	6,654	7,195	7,874	8,314	9,486		
Total United States	2,895	2,883	2,587	2,721	2,854	2,772			134,646	112,619	101,193	104,170	121,137	107,349		

Quarterly Record of Canadian Failures by Divisions of Industry—1955 and 1954

	Number of Failures								Current Liabilities in Thousands of Dollars							
	1954				1955				1954				1955			
	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV
Manufacturing:																
Foods	5	7	7	7	2	3			130	99	382	403	10	61		
Textiles	20	21	16	26	36	16			3,745	1,033	1,292	1,250	1,224	882		
Forest Products	15	19	8	16	10	10			814	1,494	397	1,031	219	433		
Paper, Printing, Publishing	2	5	2	3	2	5			14	277	21	50	15	54		
Chemicals and Drugs	2	3	1	..	..	2			35	94	9	..	..	78		
Fuels	4	..	2	..	..	2			642	..	172	..	..	29		
Leather and Leather Products	5	5	..	1	5	2			278	2,455	..	318	186	88		
Stone, Clay, Glass and Products	3	1	2	1	..	2			147	310	26	30	..	97		
Iron and Steel	..	4	4	..	3	2			..	438	220	..	47	207		
Machinery	4	5	1	6	3	6			1,079	1,056	5	247	324	233		
Transportation Equipment	3	..	1	2	..	2			79	..	9	154	..	115		
All Other	13	6	2	6	9	5			512	396	95	349	288	163		
Total Manufacturing	76	76	46	68	70	57			7,475	7,652	2,638	3,832	2,313	2,440		
Wholesale Trade:																
Farm Products, Foods, Groceries	11	4	3	6	9	7			474	275	93	66	630	232		
Clothing and Furnishings	2	3	2	1	3	2			122	94	199	10	156	47		
Dry Goods and Textiles	3	11	4	6	3	5			21	474	48	164	41	627		
Lumber, Bldg. Mtls., Hardware	3	..	5	1	4	5			159	..	123	7	176	103		
Chemicals and Drugs	3	..	1	2	1	2			34	..	21	50	14	39		
Fuels	..	..	..	..	..	..			..	..	..	..	..	..		
Automotive Products	2	2	2	..	..	..			110	34	91	..	..	..		
Supply Houses	..	..	..	..	..	..			..	..	..	..	..	..		
All Other	20	14	9	18	16	16			961	278	176	310	364	232		
Total Wholesale Trade	44	34	26	34	36	37			1,881	1,155	751	607	1,381	1,280		
Retail Trade:																
Foods	32	38	24	27	42	34			367	411	405	323	634	372		
Farm Supplies, General Stores	6	8	4	4	5	7			91	159	50	44	135	294		
General Merchandise	12	8	8	4	9	3			245	101	200	38	123	40		
Apparel	44	28	19	25	46	26			696	466	210	933	1,228	386		
Furniture, H'sehold Furnishings	32	29	23	32	25	27			1,157	597	850	707	586	797		
Lumber, Bldg. Mtls., Hardware	9	6	7	11	10	11			252	197	118	172	217	262		
Automotive Products	31	18	28	32	26	27			1,571	327	980	890	1,316	449		
Restaurants	28	14	13	21	27	19			284	380	141	329	368	200		
Drugs	2	3	2	3	2	2			11	31	12	24	17	30		
All Other	18	14	11	10	21	16			578	357	180	118	577	281		
Total Retail Trade	214	166	139	169	213	172			5,252	3,026	3,146	3,578	5,221	3,111		
Construction:																
General Contractors	16	21	12	37	28	22			914	1,017	497	1,525	1,129	785		
Carpenters and Builders	2	1	4	4	5	1			9	3	341	24	37	25		
Building Sub-contractors	25	22	24	26	38	20			1,471	855	353	829	1,135	429		
Other Contractors	..	2	3	..	1	1			..	865	327	..	10	323		
Total Construction	43	46	43	67	72	44			2,394	2,740	1,518	2,378	2,311	1,562		
Commercial Service:																
Cleaners, Dyers, Tailors	2	4	4	1	2	5			10	31	45	2	8	183		
Haulage, Buses, Taxis, etc	8	6	9	11	13	5			244	274	349	160	172	42		
Hotels	4	1	..	1	5	3			82	128	..	63	161	13		
Laundries	1	1	..	..	..	2			11	114	..	..	..	416		
Undertakers	..	..	..	..	3	..			..	..	..	..	72	..		
All Other	15	10	6	6	9	11			116	174	32	159	144	108		
Total Commercial Service	30	22	19	19	32	26			463	721	426	384	557	762		
Total Canada	407	344	273	357	423	336			17,465	15,294	8,479	10,779	11,783	9,155		

Quarterly Record of Canadian Failures by Provinces—1955 and 1954

	Number of Failures								Current Liabilities in Thousands of Dollars							
	1954				1955				1954				1955			
Provinces:	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV
Newfoundland	2	..	4	2	5	2			56	..	116	72	171	201		
Prince Edward Island	..	1	..	..	1	1			..	27	..	..	5	34		
Nova Scotia	8	5	1	2	3	1			236	105	32	86	332	94		
New Brunswick	8	3	8	3	3	5			183	71	284	51	45	496		
Quebec	237	215	137	227	256	186			6,282	9,486	3,003	6,077	6,063	4,031		
Ontario	101	86	88	87	104	104			7,805	3,438	3,728	3,155	2,879	3,419		
Manitoba	10	10	2	11	18	8			1,042	365	14	543	1,090	108		
Saskatchewan	4	2	10	4	8	6			68	107	367	60	496	316		
Alberta	15	5	11	10	2	4			1,019	243	625	136	20	200		
British Columbia	22	17	12	11	23	19			774	1,452	310	599	682	256		
Total Canada	407	344	273	357	423	336			17,465	15,294	8,479	10,779	11,783	9,155		

Quarterly Record of Canadian Failures by Cities—1955 and 1954

	Number of Failures								Current Liabilities in Thousands of Dollars							
	1954				1955				1954				1955			
Cities: (1951 Population Ranking)	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV
Montreal, Que	127	136	86	121	141	100			4,455	6,781	1,780	3,021	3,592	2,648		
Toronto, Ont	43	28	32	24	31	40			2,407	1,145	2,232	906	1,107	1,444		
Vancouver, B. C	12	9	8	5	13	13			288	937	160	467	519	133		
Winnipeg, Man	7	8	2	7	10	2			770	349	14	404	691	32		
Ottawa, Ont	4	4	3	4	12	8			46	50	23	107	179	78		
Quebec, Que	14	7	1	6	18	13			177	240	86	64	326	145		
Hamilton, Ont	5	2	5	2	6	4			59	28	163	227	119	73		
Edmonton, Alb	7	2	7	8	2	3			427	77	387	114	20	195		
Calgary, Alb	4	1	2	..	..	1			308	117	193	..	..	4		
London, Ont	8	5	3	3	1	2			329	316	64	49	70	40		
Halifax, N. S	2	3	..	2	..	1			81	86	..	86	..	94		
Regina, Sask	1	1	..	..	5	1			7	90	..	..	464	76		
Saskatoon, Sask	..	..	..	1	1	1			..	..	..	8	22	11		
St. John's, Nfld	..	..	..	..	3	..			..	..	..	..	101	..		
St. John, N. B	..	..	2	1	1	..			..	..	71	33	8	..		
Total 15 Cities	234	206	151	184	244	189			9,354	10,216	5,173	5,480	7,218	4,973		
Balance of Country	173	138	122	173	179	147			8,111	5,078	3,306	5,293	4,565	4,182		
Total Canada	407	344	273	357	423	336			17,465	15,294	8,479	10,779	11,783	9,155		

NOTE: Separate data for St. John's Nfld., not available prior to 1955.